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AND HAVING HIGH EXPECTATIONS
OF OURSELVES AND EACH OTHER"

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*Dear members of the St Columba's
Community*

**"It's all about learning and having high expectations
of ourselves and each other."**

Creating a culture of success

In this week's newsletter I thought I would take the opportunity to re-state my mission as the principal of this exciting place of learning and the educational philosophy, which underpins everything I do at the College. My fundamental goal is to create a 'culture of success' and in doing so, improve the learning for all students.

St Columba's Catholic College actively seeks to provide students with a stimulating learning environment that is safe and supportive. My focus for the students and staff is that everything we do at the College "is all about learning and having high expectations of ourselves and each other."

- What goes on in the classroom is about learning,
- What goes on outside the classroom is about learning,
- Our policies regarding uniform, hair, behaviour, bullying, learning preparation, (homework) and diaries are all about learning,
- How we relate to one another is about learning.

This simple yet challenging philosophy is grounded in experience, study and research. Every aspect of a student's learning here at the College has been analysed and checked against the learning outcomes across the State and more recently the Nation, helping to guide and direct us as we move forward.

St Columba's Catholic College is a place of learning that is firmly focussed on the futures of all our students and is preparing them for a future full of hope.

**May God bless you always,
Mr Paul Ryan.
Principal.**

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FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

Congratulations- HSC Industrial Technology Timber students

We congratulate the following HSC students who have been nominated for possible inclusion in *InTech*, the annual exhibition of outstanding Major Projects developed by HSC Industrial Technology students across NSW. This is an outstanding and exemplary achievement for these students. Students will be notified in the coming weeks if they have been successful.

Noah Cariolato

Dylan Cox

Samuel Moore

Benjamin Roberts



Year 11 Semester 2 Award Ceremony

The Year 11 Semester 2 Award Ceremony held this week was a wonderful celebration of the achievement of our Year 12 students for their performance in the recently completed Preliminary HSC Course. Students received awards for academic achievement, academic excellence, College Sporting and Cultural Blue Awards and PDSSSC Sporting Blue Awards. A special award, the Western Sydney University Academy Access Award, was presented to the most outstanding Year 11 student based on academic results in the Preliminary HSC Course. The recipient of this award for 2019 was Sarah Sharp. Congratulations to all students who received awards.



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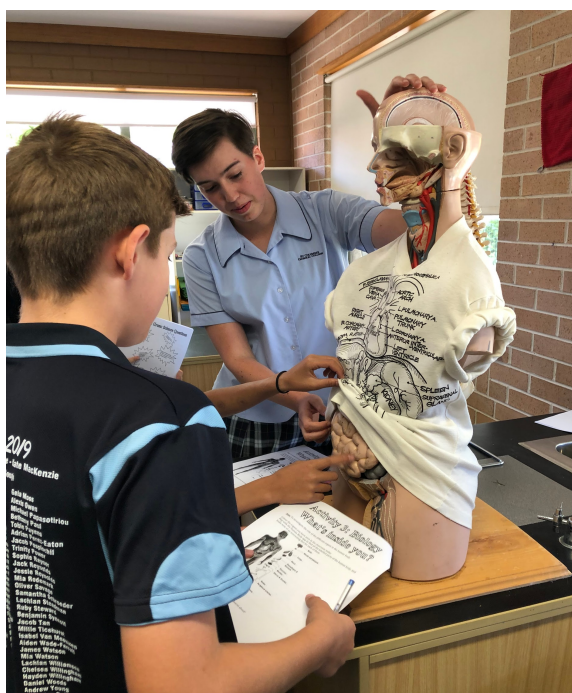


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Year 7, 2020 Orientation Day

On Friday 15th November, over 200 Year 6 students from various primary schools visited the College for their Orientation Day. The day comprised of a welcome by our College Principal Mr Ryan and Year 7 Leader of Mission, Mrs Salloum, a tour of the College lead by Year 10 students, four lessons, and a barbeque lunch. We very much look forward to seeing our new Year 7 students back at the College on Wednesday 29th January, 2020 united in their College uniforms to start the next phase of their learning journey at St Columba's.



Sun Safety- Hats

Students are reminded each day that they must be wearing their College hats in the playground during break times if they wish to play sport or sit in the sun. Please remind your child that they need to have their hats with them for school each day. Students can also access sunscreen at any time from Student Services. Hats can be purchased from the College Uniform Shop.



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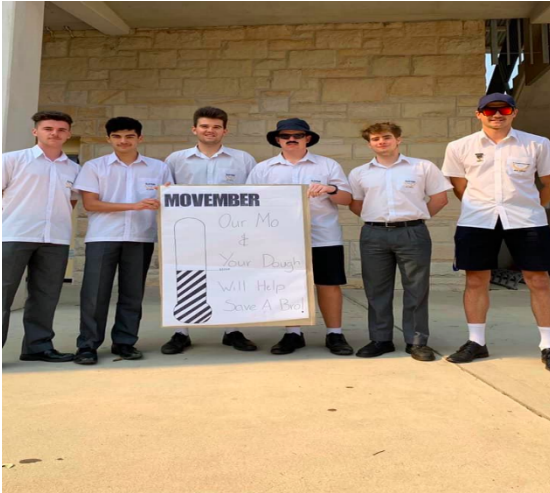
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Movember



Under the leadership of our Year 12 male students, our College has been busy raising awareness and money for Movember. Movember is an annual global event in November whereby men grow moustaches to raise awareness of men's health issues. These senior students have been busy growing moustaches and speaking to Years 7-10 students at assemblies about this great cause. For the month of November so far, students have raised an amazing \$2250, most of which has been raised at impromptu collections, showcasing how generous and supportive our students are of this initiative.

Well Done St Columba's.

Congratulations- Chloe Corbett Year 8



Congratulations to Chloe Corbett in Year 8 who participated in the Sydney Harp Eisteddfod on Saturday 26th October competing in the Intermediate Section, gaining 1st place.

Well Done Chloe.

Domestic Violence - White Ribbon Day

Although the White Ribbon organisation has had to close its doors due to administrative issues, the message of domestic violence and its impact upon individuals and families remains of critical importance. Our Leaders of Mission have been presenting information and raising awareness of domestic violence during our College Year Assemblies. In Australia, police respond to reports of domestic violence every two minutes. The message delivered at our assemblies is one about respect, and the recognition that dehumanising or sexualised comments made under the guise of banter between friends forms the foundation

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of the violence and controlling issues that may manifest themselves later in life. If you are experiencing domestic violence or know of others subjected to it, intervention is critical. Please seek support via the police or associated support networks.

Ms Carol Muscat & Mr Ross Gawthorne
Assistant Principals

CAREERS

University

University of Newcastle - Undergraduate Info Sessions

Thursday, 19 December. 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Newcastle (Callaghan) | Newcastle City (NeW Space) | Central Coast (Ourimbah)

If you have questions about studying in 2020, we are here to help!

Come on campus and talk to our team about degrees, changing preferences, scholarships, accommodation, alternative entry options and more at our Info Sessions on Thursday 19 December 2019, 10am - 1pm.

These Info Sessions are held after ATARs are released and prior to the close of change of preferences for consideration in December Round 2 so it's perfect timing to get the advice you need to finalise your UAC application.

Knowing your ATAR means your choices may have changed. There are a variety of entry schemes and adjustment factors available to you. Talk to our admissions team who can help you understand your adjusted ATAR and your options.

If you are yet to apply and needing face-to-face advice, be sure to attend this event.

Please note: If you're planning to attend one of our Newcastle events and are interested in studying a Business, Commerce, Innovation, Law or Creative Industries degree our Newcastle City Info Session is the best option.

If you can't make it to an Info Session on the day, you can [click here](https://www.newcastle.edu.au/events/future-students/undergraduate-info-sessions) to get in touch with our team

<https://www.newcastle.edu.au/events/future-students/undergraduate-info-sessions>

UON - Business & Commerce Insight Evening

Wednesday, 20 November. 5:00pm to 7:00pm

LT101, Q-10, Loop Rd & The Boulevard, Ourimbah

RSVP 17 November

Are you considering a career in Business or Commerce?

The Faculty of Business and Law at the University of Newcastle invites senior secondary students, teachers and parents to attend an information evening to learn about studying at the Newcastle Business School.

This is an exclusive opportunity to interact with key staff from the Newcastle Business School and speak with undergraduate students to gain a better understanding of the benefits of studying degrees in the area of Business and Commerce.

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<https://www.newcastle.edu.au/events/faculty-of-business-and-law/business-and-commerce-insight-evening>

UON Bachelor of Coastal and Marine Science Program Launch

Register [here](#) for our Central Coast or Newcastle based events.

Tuesday 19.11.19 - **Newcastle - Cooks Hill Life Saving Club**

Thursday 21.11.19 - **Central Coast - Avoca Beach Surf Life Saving Club**

The Faculty of Science at the [University of Newcastle](#) invites you to celebrate the launch of our exciting new [Bachelor of Coastal and Marine Science](#) ahead of its first intake in Semester 1 2020 at both our Callaghan and Central Coast campuses.

The coastal and marine environment provides recreation, food, energy, and other valuable resources that need to be sustainably managed in the face of an uncertain future. With the worsening impacts of climate change, pollution and urban development, it is vital we train quality marine scientists with a passion for the environment to help combat these global issues. Through our unique position, students will have the opportunity to conduct fieldwork in key coastal and marine landscapes. From pristine estuaries to urban developments, major waterways and coastal zones, students will investigate and contribute to solving real world problems.

Come along to learn more about our new program. You'll hear from our leading academics, industry experts and get hands on with some of the unique equipment marine scientists are using every day

<https://www.newcastle.edu.au/events/faculty-of-science/bachelor-of-coastal-and-marine-science-program-launch-central-coast>

UOW - UniNow Enabling Pathway Program

13 January - 21 February 2020

Locations: UOW Wollongong, Shoalhaven, Southern Highlands, Batemans Bay and Bega campuses

UniNow is a free, six week enabling course run across a number of UOW's campuses, which can provide a direct pathway for participants to enter selected UOW undergraduate degrees.

Places are limited so to find out if you are eligible, check our [Entry Criteria](#) and apply now!

UniNow is a short enabling program that has been designed to empower people from equity backgrounds to access and succeed in higher education. The program is open to recent school leavers and mature age students who meet the academic and equity criteria. Successful completion of the program guarantees you entry into a selection of UOW degrees.

For more information, please contact the UOW Transition & Engagement team or your local campus.

02 4221 3450 access-uow@uow.edu.au

<https://www.uow.edu.au/engage/outreach-pathways/uninow-enabling-pathway-program/>

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UOW Southern Highlands Campus Drop in Week

6 January 2020, 9:00 am - 10 January 2020, 5:00 pm

UOW Southern Highlands Campus

Visit the Southern Highlands campus in Moss Vale during drop in week to speak to staff about study options for 2020. Advice on admissions and assistance with lodging applications can be provided – bring your academic documents with you. Check out the facilities and find out from staff about the services available to help you success in your study with UOW.

<https://studentcrm.uow.edu.au/Ellucian.ERecruiting.Web.External/Pages/EventDetails.aspx?id=1f95abd0-4bf5-e911-8165-dbe078f68bcd>

WSU Find Your Unlimited

We believe in a world of unlimited opportunity for those with talent, drive, confidence and ambition. It's about what's inside you, not where you've come from. Your future success starts here.

<https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/unlimited>

University of Canberra Course Advice

If you have any questions about your course or want advice on which units to enrol into, you should speak to a course advisor from your faculty. The contact details for each faculty can be found below.

If you are studying at an interstate campus, you can contact the university by phone or email, or speak with a UC representative at your campus.

<https://www.canberra.edu.au/future-students/accept-your-offer/course-advice>

Macquarie University Big History Scheme – Earn 3 Adjustment Factors

The Big History adjustment factor scheme your commitment to learning with 3 (three) adjustment factors for your commitment to learning, acknowledging your participation and completion of the [Big History: Connecting Knowledge MOOC](#) (Massive Open Online Course) available through the COURSEERA® platform.

<https://www.mq.edu.au/study/admissions/entry-requirements/domestic/macquarie-entry/adjustment-factors/big-history-scheme>

Things I Wish I'd Known Before Starting Uni.

"...So after completing a dual degree, an honours year, three internships and much part-time work, here's what I wish I'd known before starting university".

<https://postgraduatefutures.com.au/10-things-i-wish-id-known-before-starting-university/>

STEM Girls @ Sydney, University of Sydney

20-21 January 2020

This exciting two-day workshop on campus is for female high school students who want to explore the disciplines and careers available in science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) and how you can apply these skills in everyday life. If you are entering Year 11 in 2020, register now at https://sydney.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6g3tJ2pfGfQEUAt



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Girls Programming Network

30 November 2019, 9:00 am - 1 December 2019, 3:00 pm

The University of Sydney, Camperdown

The **Girls' Programming Network** is a group of women and girls into computer science, programming and information technology. We run workshops once per school term for high school girls! We've written games, made interactive websites and taken apart computers! Check out the [past projects](#) to see what girls have done, and what you could be doing! We'll teach you how to make an **awesome programming project** each time. We also make friends, eat pizza, and do other fun activities!

There will be heaps of tutors at GPN to teach you and help you learn at a pace that's right for you. Our tutors are women and girls who love IT. Some tutors are uni students studying IT or other STEM areas. Others are software engineers from cool companies like Google, Atlassian, Data61 and more.

<https://sites.google.com/site/girlsprogrammingnetwork/>

UNSW - Women in Engineering Breakfast

19 December. 9am to 10am

Join us at the Women in Engineering Breakfast on UNSW Info Day.

This is a great opportunity to hear about our Women in Engineering community and learn about the initiatives you can be involved in through UNSW's Women in Engineering program.

You will also meet some of our current students, who are ready to tell you all about the engineering degrees they chose and answer your questions!

Friends and parents are welcome to come along - we hope to see you there!

<https://www.events.unsw.edu.au/event/women-engineering-breakfast>

UNSW Faculty of Engineering Admissions Scheme (FEAS)

Applications for 2020 T1 intake are open now. Please see application portal link below to apply.

Applications close midnight Sunday 1st December 2019.

We know that things don't always go to plan, so if you are expecting an ATAR between 83.00 and 92.95 and want to study at UNSW, apply for the Faculty of Engineering Admissions Scheme (FEAS). This is an alternative pathway for students who want to study at UNSW but don't meet the Guaranteed Entry Rank (GE) of 93.00.

FEAS applies to most UNSW Engineering undergraduate programs, including the double degrees with a GE of 93.

<https://www.engineering.unsw.edu.au/study-with-us/future-students/faculty-of-engineering-admissions-scheme-feas>

UNSW Designing Bright Futures Exhibition

Exhibition dates: Thursday 21 November 2019 - Wednesday 22 January 2020

Australian Design Centre, [101—115 William Street, Darlinghurst, Sydney.](#)

Designing Bright Futures 2019 is a project developed by Australian Design Centre (ADC) and UNSW Art & Design to give a professional exhibition opportunity to a selection of graduating students. All graduating students are invited to apply for selection.

Applications are now open for Graduate showcase and Object Space Curatorial opportunity.

Spanning jewellery, textiles, graphics, object, interactive and spatial design, graduates will be chosen for the ways in which their work explores and promotes ideas of innovation and

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sustainable practice, considerations for social and environmental impact, commercial viability and the role of design in advancing well-being, speaking to the vision of what it means to be a designer today.

<https://australiandesigncentre.com/designing-bright-futures-2019/>

UNSW - Westpac and Deloitte present: An Introduction to Info Systems

19 November. 9:00am – 12:00pm

Westpac, Tower Two, 200 Barangaroo Avenue, Sydney

Are you interested in a career in Information Systems, technology management, cyber security and user experience?

UNSW's industry partners Westpac and Deloitte welcome you to explore the fast paced world of tech and find out more about your future career options at 'An Introduction to Info Systems'. This event is for year 10, 11 and 12 students and will give you insight into digital teams at multi-national organisations, what life is like as a grad and also allow you to take part in a design thinking workshop.

Places are limited to register today

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/westpac-and-deloitte-present-an-introduction-to-info-systems-registration-77438535745?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

UNSW Bachelor of Interior Architecture (Honours) - End of Year Show

22 November. 6:00pm – 9:00pm

Ground Floor, Red Centre Building, University Mall, UNSW, Kensington

First Year, Second Year and Third Year UNSW IA Students are inviting you to their End of Year Show, displaying the great achievements of 2019. The exhibition will display achievements in Design Studio, Technics classes, Composition classes, Electives and other highlights.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/unsw-2019-bia-end-of-year-show-tickets-75640074499?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

Your Path to Medical School - Sydney

14 December. 1pm to 3pm

UNSW Kensington - John B Reid Theatre

You are invited to join fellow aspiring medical students at MedView's free information session about the journey to doctor-hood. We can help you on your way to medical school, by offering insights, guidance, tips and tricks to support you on your endeavour to medical school.

MedView specialises in supporting prospective medical students in applying to their dream schools. Join us at this event to learn more about a future in medicine.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/your-path-to-medical-school-sydney-tickets-79972567101>

2019 UTS Photography Graduation Exhibition

21 November. 6:00pm – 8:00pm

UTS ART, Level 4, Building 6, 702 Harris Street, Ultimo

Our annual exhibition of graduating students of the UTS Bachelor of Design in Photography, held across UTS Gallery and Level 6 of the UTS Faculty of Design, Architecture and Building. This exhibition is part of the Design and Architecture UTS GRAD SHOW.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2019-uts-photography-graduation-exhibition-tickets-78304028457?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

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TAFE

TAFENSW Scholarships - Who is eligible for a Fee-Free Scholarship?

Students can get the skills they need to get the job they want and their course fees will be covered.

Young people (aged 15-30) who meet the Smart and Skilled Fee-Free Scholarship criteria are eligible for a government subsidy which covers their Smart and Skilled course fee.

Eligible students can receive a single Fee Free Scholarship in a financial year, and two Fee-Free Scholarships across 4 financial years.

<https://www.tafensw.edu.au/enrol/payment-funding/smart-skilled>

Jobs of Tomorrow Scholarships - applications now open

People with skills in science, technology, engineering or mathematics (STEM) are in high demand. If you are interested in training in these skills, you may be eligible for a \$1,000 Jobs of Tomorrow scholarship under the NSW Government's Smart and Skilled Program.

<https://smartandskilled.nsw.gov.au/for-students/scholarships/jobs-of-tomorrow-scholarships>

Is your Job of Tomorrow course you plan to do listed here?

https://smartandskilled.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0015/105234/jobs-of-tomorrow-qualifications-list.pdf

Information Session for the Tertiary Preparation Certificate Course

Wednesday 27 November

Information sessions about the Tertiary Preparation Certificate on Wednesday 27 November 2019 at Ultimo College. The TPC course is an alternative to those who do not wish to study the HSC and want to do further studies. On completion, successful graduates can apply to study at university, or apply to study a diploma or degree course at TAFE. Email filomena.palaric@tafensw.edu.au for further information.

Traineeships are Fee-Free in NSW

From 1 January 2020

Under NSW Smart and Skilled, traineeships (including school-based traineeships) join apprenticeships in being fee-free from 1 January 2020. With over 390 traineeship courses available in a wide range of industries, now is a great time for students to get themselves ready for a new year's traineeship. Learn more about traineeships and the fee-free traineeship initiative at:

www.vet.nsw.gov.au

Australian Apprenticeship Support – Subsidised Apprenticeship Wages

The Apprentice Wage Subsidy program in a bid to reduce youth unemployment levels across regional Australia. The program aims to address current and future skills shortages across the trades sector by incentivising employers in regional areas to take on apprentices in their business. Under the trial, employers who sign-up and commence a new apprentice from 1 January 2019 will be eligible for subsidies for the apprentice's first three years.

<http://www.apprenticeshipsupport.com.au/News-and-Events/News/regional-youth-unemployment>

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Listed Current Vacancies - Central Coast Group Training

CCGT services include:-

- full recruitment for businesses seeking apprentices, trainees, qualified tradespeople or professionals to find the right staff specific to your needs for medium to long term placements;
- employ your apprentice or trainee for you which includes coaching and mentoring for the duration of the employment contract;

Ph: 4353 2655 or info@ccgt.com.au

<http://www.ccg.com.au/careers/all>

ARC Group Training offers Business Traineeships

79 George Street, Parramatta

We place juniors and school leavers from Years 10-12 into full time positions (in many industries), where they work, get paid and obtain a nationally recognised Certificate III. At the end of the 12 months, they have one years experience (crucial!), a qualification AND money - does it get any better? 90% of people who complete their Traineeship with ARC are employed full time by the host company and we work with big businesses such as Westpac. We place juniors and school leavers into full-time positions, they complete a qualification and get paid! Our trainers visit them at their workplace and provide support throughout the 12 months. We have completed ARCies that are now earning 40-50k and in middle management positions just one year after finishing school! It's an excellent program that helps juniors start their careers. 02

88333999 E: info@arcgroup.com.au

<https://arcgroup.com.au/>

Microsoft Traineeship Program

Apply now

Microsoft Australia is very proud of the newly created Microsoft Traineeship Program, which aims to create a new, diverse pipeline of exceptional IT talent while also addressing the technical skills shortage in Australia.

For Microsoft partners and customers interested in hosting a trainee, this is an opportunity to get access to new and emerging talent from a diverse pool of candidates.

For aspiring trainees, this program provides an excellent foot-in-the-door to an exciting and rewarding career in IT.

More info here:

<https://www.microsoft.com/en-au/microsoft-traineeship-program>

Sydney apply here:

<https://www.aplitrak.com/?adid=cmF5bGVILmtpbmNoLjUwMjUyLjEwOTY5QG1lZ3RhdS5hcGxp dHJhay5jb20>

Canberra apply here:

<https://www.aplitrak.com/?adid=cmF5bGVILmtpbmNoLjgyNjQ3LjEwOTY5QG1lZ3RhdS5hcGxp dHJhay5jb20>



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COLLEGES

Australian Institute of Fitness Open Day

Newcastle – 16 November - Balance Collective Cardiff, 18 Munibung Road, Cardiff, NSW 2285, Australia

Sydney 21 November and 26 November - Fitness First's premier club, 20 Bond Street, Sydney

Canberra – 23 November - Cnr. Hindmarsh Dr. and Jerrabomberra Ave, Narrabundah

Parramatta - 23 November - Ground Floor, 87 Marsden Street, Parramatta

Gold Coast – Multiple sessions in November - Call 1300 669 669 to organise your spot.

Open Day is your chance to join us on campus and get a taste for what it's like to study at The Institute. Learn about our range of industry-leading courses, along with your career options in the fitness and massage industries, as you chat to our Careers team and staff. You will also have the opportunity to attend info sessions and join a tour to get a glimpse of our world-class training facilities.

Check out what a few of our recent students had to say about studying with us.

<https://fitness.edu.au/open-day/>

Aviation Australia Cabin Crew Experience

Wednesday 18th December – [Register Now](#)

Thursday 16th January – [Register now](#)

The One-Day Cabin Crew Experience course is for people who have been dreaming of a career in the skies and are yet to decide if it's the right path for them. You will have a taster of what it's really like to be a flight attendant and, by the end of the day, you will understand what you need to do to earn your wings and see your career take off.

A cabin crew career can be exciting and satisfying. There are opportunities to travel and you will have a different view from your "office" window every day. It's also demanding and challenging, with early starts and overnight shifts. Becoming a flight attendant is a popular career choice – hundreds, if not thousands, of candidates compete for available roles. Attending a Cabin Crew Experience like this will help you learn how to stand out from the crowd.

<https://www.aviationaustralia.aero/one-day-cabin-crew-experience/>

AIE Online Experience for Games Design and Animation

23 November

If you have ever wanted to study 3D animation, game design or VFX for film online with AIE then our Online Experience Day is an ideal opportunity to find out more!

Course overview sessions will be running on the range of online courses in 3D animation, game art, game programming and game design offered by AIE. You will get to participate in workshops, guest speaker talks and much more. Have a question? Don't worry, pop by and one of our friendly staff from AIE online will be more than happy to assist. With classes starting all the time, starting your career as a game developer or 3D animator has never been easier. Register now for this **FREE** online event.

https://aie.edu.au/aie_event/online-experience-day/

Billy Blue College of Design Open Day

Saturday, 18 January 2020. 12pm-3pm.

46-52 Mountain Street, Ultimo

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Billy Blue is a dynamic hub of creative activity all year round and we want you to experience it first-hand! Dip your toe in, or immerse yourself completely by coming along to one of our exciting events designed to show you what life at a Billy Blue campus is all about. Or find a new opportunity that might help open up that door to the next chapter in your life! Bring your curiosity and your questions!

<https://www.billyblue.edu.au/news-events/upcoming-events>

Coder Academy School Holidays Workshops

Sustainable Web Design - 8 Jan 2020. 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sustainable 3D Game Design - 9 Jan 2020. 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Coding Hardware - 10 Jan 2020. 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Conservation is very much a hot topic right now and is engaging young minds like never before. The question becomes, how can we use technology to help solve the problems of the world today and tomorrow? Sustainable computing is a rapidly growing research area using computer science and data analysis to find solutions for some of the world's most urgent environmental and social problems. This is the theme for the next holiday break.

<https://coderacademy.edu.au/kids-coding-courses/sydney-school-holiday-activities>

The Hotel School Information Evening

Tuesday 19 November. 5:30pm - 7:00pm

60 Phillip St, Sydney

If your interest is hospitality, tourism or business management and you want to explore a global career path then join us at our information session. The session is designed to provide you with information on the courses offered at The Hotel School, you can speak with the academic team and experience the campus. Come and discover how to make a start in the hospitality and tourism industry.

<https://hotelschool.scu.edu.au/events/sydney-information-evening/>

AIM Sydney Information Evening

21 November

21 November. 6:00pm – 7:30pm

, Australian Institute of Music 1 Foveaux Street, Surry Hills

AIM Sydney invites you to an intimate evening information session where we'll take you on a personalised campus tour, hear what makes AIM special from our academics and students plus have a chat to our friendly team members who will be able to answer any questions you may have ahead of our January 2020 intake.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/aim-sydney-information-evening-21-november-2019-tickets-69379611285?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

Learn to dive! - PADI Open Water Diver Course

Sat., 23/11/2019, 7:00 am –

Sun., 24/11/2019, 4:00 pm

4 Fishermens Crt, Eden

Diver certification starts here. If you've always wanted to take scuba diving lessons and experience unparalleled adventure, get your scuba diving certification with the PADI® Open Water Diver course – the world's most popular and widely recognized scuba course.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/learn-to-dive-padi-open-water-diver-course-tickets-75517060561?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

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National Invention Convention

13-17 January 2020

Questacon (ACT)

Questacon Invention Conventions are multi-day workshops for 14-18 year olds where you can work with mentors and innovators to turn your ideas into reality.

Applications for the National Invention Convention are open to students from **all over Australia**. Click the tabs below to access more information about these events.

Participants will use tools, tech and materials, work with local mentors and entrepreneurs, and forge friendships that last a lifetime!

Applications for the 2020 *National Invention Convention* have now closed. We're currently marking applications, and will contact all applicants in early November to notify them of the results of the selection process.

You are welcome to contact us at invention.convention@questacon.edu.au if you have any questions about the event.

<https://www.questacon.edu.au/outreach/programs/questacon-smart-skills-initiative/questacon-invention-convention>

STEM Fun Engineering Projects

Considering engineering? Here is some fun stuff you can do to get you started from our list of engineering projects. Go to Mars with a rover simulator, or try a building app that tests the strength of your structures against all weather conditions. Get involved with any of our engineering projects listed and you might even make some friends along the way.

<https://careerswithstem.com/build-engineering-projects/>

Create positive change in your local community - What is Rotaract?

Rotaract is a **global organisation** that provides opportunities for young adults to enhance their knowledge and skills through **personal development**, to address the **physical and social needs of their communities**, whilst **promoting better relations** between all people worldwide through a framework of friendship and service.

We **empower** students and young professionals to **create positive change** in their local communities and around the world. Rotaract provides unique opportunities that assist its members in becoming the **business and professional leaders of tomorrow**.

Rotaract (which stands for Rotary in Action) is a Rotary-partnered service club for young people aged 18 to 30. Sponsored by [Rotary International](https://www.rotary.org), Rotaract Clubs across Australia are part of a worldwide organisation of 250,792 individuals in 10,904 clubs covering 184 countries.

More Info here:

<https://rotaract.org.au/about/what-is-ra/>

Local Clubs here: <https://rotaract.org.au/find/region/new-south-wales/>

Applications are open for the UN Youth Aotearoa Leadership Tour



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Applications for the 2020 Aotearoa Leadership Tour are now open. For information about ALT 2020, contact the Convener, Jo Barry-Murphy at jo.barrymurhpy@unyouth.org.au.

The Aotearoa Leadership Tour is an opportunity like no other to learn about indigenous rights and culture through a two-week tour of New Zealand.

The Aotearoa Leadership Tour brings together 16 young Australians in Years 10 – 12 to explore **indigenous rights, culture and reconciliation** during the June/July 2020 school holidays.

It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to **explore Australia's relationship with its first peoples** through an intercultural tour of New Zealand. The Tour focuses on the rich history and tradition of the Maori people, and the methods used to preserve this culture.

[Read the ALT 2020 Handbook here.](#)

You'll spend two weeks travelling through **Wellington, Auckland, Waitangi, Rotorua and Sydney** to meet and work with local communities, grassroots organisations, government representatives and NGOs at the forefront of the fight for indigenous rights.

<https://unyouth.org.au/event/aotearoa-leadership-tour/>

Carecareers In NSW

Are you looking for a career that helps you meet your goals while helping others to achieve theirs? If so, this is a great place to start.

In NSW, more new jobs are being created in Disability, Community and Aged Care than in any other sector. It's an exciting time as the sector is expanding and helping to transform the lives of those in the community

<https://www.carecareers.com.au/carecareers-in-nsw/>

Disability Jobs In NSW

If you are looking for entry-level vacancies in front line support, you will need to search for jobs with titles like these:

- Direct Care Worker
- Disability Support Worker
- Lifestyle Support Worker
- Personal Care Assistant

<https://www.carecareers.com.au/page/disability-jobs-in-nsw>

Aged & Community Care Jobs In NSW

Aged care is a huge industry and it is expanding rapidly. Australia's aged care workforce is expected to grow to over 800,000 by 2050, which means there are many, many opportunities for people to become involved.

Community care services support people to live with dignity and independence in their own homes and to avoid social isolation. These services are aimed at the elderly and those who have mental illness, disability or are otherwise disadvantaged.

<https://www.carecareers.com.au/page/aged-community-care-jobs-in-nsw>

Inspiring Careers in Health

18 November. 9:30am – 2:00pm

St Marys Memorial Hall

Corner of Mamre Road and the Great Western Highway, Saint Marys,

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This is an event for years 9-12 school students who want to explore careers in the health industry.

- ☐ Industry delivered presentations
- ☐ Mentoring from industry representatives
- ☐ Speed career conversations
- ☐ Identification of career pathways
- ☐ Setting expectations for the future workforce
- ☐ Help students develop the skills they need to get a job

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/inspiring-careers-in-health-tickets-73227963811?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

Made in the West Film Festival 2019

23 November. 6:00pm – 11:00pm

Event Cinemas – Liverpool, Rooftop Level, Westfield Shopping Centre, Elizabeth Drive, Liverpool

Join us on the red carpet with hundreds of local filmmakers, then settle in for a marathon screening event featuring short films made by the best independent and student filmmakers from the West. There will be filmmaker awards, a private bar, plenty of laughs and the chance for YOU and your friends to send someone home with the highly coveted Audience Choice Award.

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/made-in-the-west-film-festival-2019-tickets-72760144551?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

LIFELAUNCHER

A new careers website has been designed by the NSW Government which provides students with information about careers. There is also a link that can help you work out your vocational profile if you have no idea what career you are suited for:

<https://www.lifelauncher.nsw.gov.au>

LifeLauncher will provide information about jobs and how you can achieve your career ambitions through vocational education and training or university study.

“It also includes concise labour market information to help students understand the future potential of career and study choices.”

“This site will not only be hugely helpful for school graduates; parents, teachers and careers advisers will also be able to use the platform to ensure students are supported in making these significant life decisions.”

The platform will combine information on over 3,700 careers and links to 1,534 vocational education and training and university courses, as well as statistical information on careers and their employment prospects.

LifeLauncher will be packed with interactive features to help students identify their strengths and career potential. Students can also create their own ‘pin board’ to collect information about their preferred courses.

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Apprenticeships, Traineeships and other career qualifications

ATC is offering school leavers an opportunity to explore their career options and find a pathway to a successful future.

Join us along with other interested young people, to learn and explore employment options that are available to you in the fields of Sport & Recreation, Business, Information Technology (IT), Fitness, Horticulture, Landscaping, Carpentry and various other trades.

ATC also provide other nationally accredited qualifications to support your future career choices should you not be successful in gaining an apprenticeship or traineeship. We will tell you all about what we offer at the information sessions listed below.

Information session date:

Wednesday 29th January 2020

9.30am - 12.30pm

(Careers Advisors and parents are welcome)

Venue:

30-32 Pomeroy St (Cnr Underwood Rd) Homebush

You must register prior to attending. All attendees are encouraged to bring a copy of their resume.

To register, complete the online registration form → [FILL IN USING GOOGLE FORMS HERE](#) or call our office (02) 9704 1550 prior to the date. For all other enquiries - email: recruitment@austrg.com.au

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FROM THE OFFICE

Please be advised that unless alternative arrangements have been made with the Principal, the Business Manager or me, **2019 fees are now overdue.**

If you are having difficulties with the payment of your school fees, I encourage you to contact me to discuss payment options. Catholic Education Diocese, Parramatta, is committed to supporting families experiencing genuine financial hardship.

The School Fee Collection process has commenced on outstanding accounts without prior arrangements in place.

Withdrawal of a Student: A full terms notice (10 x school weeks) in writing must be given to the Principal before a parent/guardian terminates the Student's enrolment. If sufficient notice of termination of the Student's enrolment is not given, the parent/guardian is to pay the School one term's school fees including any Diocesan Fees applicable. This amount reflects the School's financial loss associated with the Student's withdrawal without sufficient notice of termination. Exceptions to this policy include family relocating due to employment placement, a student gains full-time employment or commences an apprenticeship. One other exception is that notice in writing will be accepted at any time during Term 4 in relation to the following year's enrolment.

Split Accounts: Please note that the College does not recognise 50/50 split of accounts. Enrolment signatories are joint and severally responsible for payment of fees. This means that both enrolment signatories are equally responsible for the payment of 100% of the total amount owing on the school fees account and not a proportion of it. If you have any questions regarding this, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sibling Discounts: Reconciliations to external sibling discounts are regularly conducted by CEDP. If your circumstances change regarding sibling discounts, please notify me immediately. Failure to do so could result in an increase in fees throughout the year and your current payment arrangement may not cover the balance of your account.

If you need to discuss any issues regarding the school fees, please contact me by phone on 4754 8902 or by email rvion@parra.catholic.edu.au

School fees can be paid by Bpay, Postbillpay, cash, Direct Debit, EFTPOS, credit card or cheque.

Roselee Vion
Senior Officer – Finance and Fees



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Uniform Shop Order Form

TUESDAYS only from 8am-2pm.

Telephone: 4754 8920

Email: stcolumbasuniformshop@parra.catholic.edu.au

Student's Name: _____ Homeroom: _____ Date: _____

Parent's Name/s: _____ Email Address: _____

	QTY	ITEM	SIZE	COST	TOTAL	OFFICE USE TAKEN	OFFICE USE LAYBY	OFFICE USE COMP
BOYS		Long Sleeve Junior Shirt (BLUE)		\$40.00				
		Long Sleeve Senior Shirt (WHITE)		\$40.00				
		Short Sleeve Junior Shirt (BLUE)		\$40.00				
		Short Sleeve Senior Shirt (WHITE)		\$40.00				
		Grey Trousers		\$55.00				
		Navy Shorts		\$45.00				
		Junior Tie		\$25.00				
		Senior Tie		\$25.00				
GIRLS		Black Leather Belt (70cm,75cm,80cm,85cm,90cm,95cm)		\$20.00				
		Blouse Junior (BLUE)		\$42.00				
		Blouse Senior (WHITE)		\$48.00				
		Skirt		\$67.00				
		Tights Mids / Talls / ExtraTalls		\$7.00				
UNISEX		Blazer		\$190.00				
		Wool Jumper		\$85.00				
		Cotton Jumper		\$75.00				
SPORT		Polo Shirt (Navy or White)		\$45.00				
		Shorts		\$35.00				
		Track jacket (size 10,12,14,16,S,M,L,XL)		\$90.00				
		Track pant (size 10,12,14,16,S,M,L,XL)		\$60.00				
EXTRA ITEMS		Baseball Cap – Cotton		\$3.00				
		Bucket Hat S/M L/XL		\$10.00				
		College Bag Chiropractic (Small)	S	\$80.00				
		College Bag Chiropractic (Medium)	M	\$90.00				
		Calculator (Sharp)		\$25.00				
		Food Tech - APRON		\$14.00				
		Food Tech - CAP		\$6.00				
		Science Goggles		\$6.00				
		Socks (Navy / White) 3 pack		\$15.00				
		Visual Arts Diary		\$10.00				
		Stationery Pack (Year 7)		\$40.00				
		Pre Loved Items						
REP SPORT		Football Shorts		\$27.00				
		Football Socks		\$15.00				
CASH	EFT	CHEQUE	TOTAL ORDER \$					

Prices as a Term 3, 2019 Subject to change without notice.

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Senior Shirt Order Form

Year 10 and 11 - 2020

	QTY	ITEM	SIZE	COST
BOYS - Summer		Shirt Short Sleeve Senior (white)		\$40.00
BOYS - Winter		Shirt Long Sleeve Senior (white)		\$40.00
		Senior Tie – New Style		\$25.00
GIRLS		Blouse Short Sleeve Senior (white)		\$48.00
TOTAL				\$

Student's Name: _____ Homeroom: _____

Email Address: _____

Payment Options:

- ☐ **Cash:** Enclosed is \$_____ (*Exact amount only please*)
- ☐ **Cheque:** (payable to St Columba's Catholic College)
- ☐ **Credit Card:** ☐ VISA ☐ Mastercard

Please charge \$_____ to credit card

Card Number:

Name on Card: _____ Expiry Date: /

Signature: _____

Please return completed order form to the Student Office Payment Box or
Email to: stcolumbasuniformshop@parra.catholic.edu.au

by Thursday 29th November, 2019

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2019

A support group

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Raising Kin is a support group for grandparents, relatives and kinship carers who care for a child who is a relative. This group meet on the first Wednesday of the month during school terms. Come along to meet others who are the primary carers of a grandchild,

2019 Term 4 dates: WEDNESDAY November 6th & December 4th

Time: 10:00am-12:00pm

Venue: Tanderra OOSH, 14 Raymond Rd, Springwood

For more information and to RSVP please call

Jenny on 0450 001 393

Ground Floor, Community & Cultural Hub
108 Macquarie Rd, Springwood

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