Congratulations to Kathy Parker who has been shortlisted with her entry *Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland* for the ‘Paper Cuts’ book cover design competition. Nick McKenzie from Wanganui Park SC has his trailer for *Oh, the places you’ll go!* Dr Seuss. Well done to these students and we wish them all the best for tonight’s Penguin Books Australia presentation being held at Docklands.

Yesterday I had the privilege to attend a meeting in Melbourne with seven other secondary principals, the Deputy Secretary for Schools, Sonia Sharp and Dr Pak Tee Ng, Associate Dean, Leadership Learning, Office of Graduate Studies and Professional Learning, and Head, Policy and Leadership Studies Academic Group, at the National Institute of Education, Singapore. It was a wonderful opportunity to hear about the Ministry of Education in Singapore which is the leading school system on international testing regimes. The comparisons were stark between our systems in size, equity and funding.

Last Friday was a beautiful day for our Athletics sports. Heron house won on the day followed by: Teal 2nd, Swan 3rd, and Crane 4th. It was pleasing to see so many students participating and dressed up in house colours. Well done to Mr Neff and his team for a very successful day.

The senior school had an even longer day with the School Formal held at the Woolshed at Emerald Bank. The ‘Prom’ theme was great and everyone appeared to be enjoying themselves.

Jan Gregory
Principal
Another successful VTAC Briefing & Pathways Evening was held on Wednesday 13th August 2014 at McGuire College with students and families from schools across the Hume region attending.

Thank you to the following institutions that attended the evening providing students and families the opportunity to speak directly to them:

- Charles Sturt University
- La Trobe University
- Australian Defence Force
- GOTAFE
- University of Melbourne
- Victorian Transport Association
- Deakin University
- The Apprenticeship Factory
- CVGT
- VTAC
- Centrelink
- Partners in Training
- Swinburne University
- Victoria University

Georgia Murphy and Danielle Tait, former students of McGuire College, spoke about their very different experiences since leaving school.

Suzanne Connelly and Laurene Coller from VTAC provided all the information students and families needed to prepare their VTAC applications. Melissa Walsh from Centrelink also presented a clear outline about the maze that is often the Centerlink system.

Thanks to all those students and families that attended and to our Senior School Team for all the organisation put into the evening.
Australian Defence Force Career Day, Army Logistic Training Centre, Albury – 15 November 2014 10.00am – 3.00pm

This is a great day for students interested in the Australian Defence Force as a pathway. Students must be 15 years of age to attend and must be accompanied by an adult.

The event will consist of some excellent displays, demonstrations & inter-active activities; with a strong focus on attendees being able to interact with many young soldiers, sailors, airmen & airwomen currently in training at ALTC. One of the exciting interactive activities will be an opportunity for attendees to fire the F88 Austeyr rifles in the WEAPONS TRAINING SIMULATION SYSTEM (WTSS) range. This is a highly realistic (indoor) firing range which uses weapons that operate exactly as the real thing, using CO2 gas to create the action of the working parts when firing (and the resulting recoil). The rifles use lasers to register ‘hits’ as they operate just like the real thing; while making realistic ‘firing’ sounds through the range PA system.

Places are limited and students must apply to attend the day. For more information, please see Mrs Harcoan in the Careers Office by Monday 14th October 2014.

Please note that ALTC is the home of training for the vast majority of the “One Year Initial Minimum Period of Service”/”One Year of Adventure” jobs and is also pivotal in the many exciting career opportunities being promoted through the Chief of Army’s “Women in the Army” initiative. It is also the home of training for many of the Army technical trades, as well as Royal Australian Navy & Royal Australian Air Force jobs in the areas of health and mechanical & electrical trades.

Services for Australian Rural and Remote Allied Health Scholarships – Opening on September 2nd

Year 12 students applying for courses in the following areas are encouraged to apply for the above scholarship. The Undergraduate (Entry-Level) Scholarship Stream is discipline and course specific, if your discipline is not listed below you are not eligible for the Scholarship in 2015.

**Eligible Disciplines**
- Aboriginal Health Worker (Cert IV and above only)
- Audiology
- Chinese Medicine
- Chiropractic
- Dental & Oral Health
- Dietetics & Nutrition
- Exercise Physiology (ESSA Exercise & Sports Science Australia approved course)
- Genetic Counselling (Postgraduate/CPD only)
- Medical Radiation Science:
  - Medical Imaging
  - Nuclear Medicine Technology
- Radiation Therapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Optometry
- Orthotics
- Osteopathy
- Paramedics
- Paramedics/Nursing Combined Degree (SARRAH will only fund 1 year of this course)
- Physiotherapy
- Podiatry
- Prosthetics and Orthotics
- Psychology (Postgraduate only in Health, Counselling and Neuro Psychology)
- Social Work (AASW Australian Association of Social Workers approved courses only)
- Speech Pathology
- Sonography
*Note - Nursing is NOT covered under this scholarship program.*
For more information and to apply, please visit [http://sarrah.org.au/content/undergraduate-entry-level](http://sarrah.org.au/content/undergraduate-entry-level)

**GOTAFE Open Days 2014**
All Open Days will be held from 2.00pm – 6.00pm and are a great opportunity for students to hear firsthand about the wide range of course offered. For further information, visit [www.gotafe.vic.edu.au](http://www.gotafe.vic.edu.au) or telephone 1300 468 233. Dates for each campus are below

- Shepparton – 16th October
- Wangaratta – 21st October
- Benalla – 23rd October
- Seymour – 24th October

**Year 12 students applying for Nursing**
Year 12 students applying for nursing next year, need to ensure that you also apply for nursing at GOTAFE as pathway option. This needs to be included on students VTAC application. To be eligible for nursing at GOTAFE students MUST attend one of the following information sessions and VetAsses Testing Sessions:

- 7th October - Information Session - 5.00pm - 7.00pm
- 21st October - VetAssess Testing - 5.30pm
- 18th November - Information Session - 5.00pm - 7.00pm
- 27th November - VetAssess Testing - 5.30pm

Check out the following weblink for information on all the upcoming GOTAFE information sessions: [http://www.gotafe.vic.edu.au/page.cfm?ID=101](http://www.gotafe.vic.edu.au/page.cfm?ID=101)

**Vantage Automotive**
Vantage Automotive is a major provider of government funded vocational learning and outsourced services to major vehicle manufacturers with an extensive client list across Australia including Mazda, Renault and many more.

Students are invited to apply for the Modern Apprenticeship Programme and if selected will be placed at a deal for full time employment and flown to Sydney, Melbourne or Brisbane for block training.

If you are interested in this opportunity, please visit [http://www.vantageautomotive.com/](http://www.vantageautomotive.com/) for more information.

*Lynda Harcoan*
*Careers & Pathways Coordinator*
When I graduate I want to .........................................................

After weeks and weeks of hard work by Trevor Wilson, assisted in the final steps by students, the Senior Team and Year 12 students were thrilled to be able to write on our
“When I graduate I want to” .........................................................wall in our Senior School Centre. The wall aims to provide a space for the students to share their hopes and dreams for the future with each other and the wider school community, create discussions between each other, inspire each other and the younger students within the school and be a reminder and motivator of what our students are working towards both this year and beyond. Thanks to Megan Bourke for her artwork and handwriting on the wall.
Adventure, travel, great pay and diverse career opportunities – just to name a few of the benefits on offer when you join the Navy, Army or Air Force. If you’re up for the challenge and would like to find out more, come along to one of our upcoming information sessions:

All sessions are taking place in the Defence Force Recruiting Centre

**Location:** Level 14, 501 Swanston Street, Melbourne VIC 3000

There are limited positions available for these sessions so reservations are essential.

To book your seat please email CPTVIC@dfr.com.au with the date and title of the session and also the number of seats you would like.

Hope to see you there!

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**DEFENCE FORCE RECRUITING**
Are you interested in playing cricket this year for KARRAMOMUS CRICKET CLUB

The club has a number of accredited coaches and is enthusiastic about its junior cricketers. Our focus is on improving our player’s skills whilst enjoying and respecting our teammates.

A Registration day will be held at Vibert Res Tuesday September the 9th at 4.30 pm,
With training commencing Thursday the 11th at Vibert Reserve.

(U/16 Training with seniors commencing 5.30 pm, 9th September)
U/14 & U 12 Training 4.30 – 5.30pm

Milo in2cricket to be advised.
Registrations can also be done at training.
If you need further inquiries contact Ken Claney - Junior Coordinator 03582 18954
Or kennethclaney5@bigpond.com.au for a registration form

On Saturday the 30th of August, Transition Tatura will host an important event in Tatura, our inaugural film festival, Communities Shaping the Future: a Day of Conversations and Films. This festival will not only be a first for Tatura but it will be a first for the region and we intend for it to become an annual event.

The focus of the day will be on how local communities such as Tatura can empower themselves to shape and rethink their future with the goals of localisation (live local, work local, shop local), healthier communities, assured livelihoods, energy security and reclaiming the sense of community and community spirit which has been lost by many populations over the last few decades. Initiatives that rebuild community resilience and reduce emissions will be the primary tools to achieve these critical objectives.

There will be five inspiring speakers coupled with four thought-provoking short films, along with other activities throughout the day.

Our principal films are The Earth Wins (winner of ACS Gold Tripod in May 2014), The Human Cost of Power, Done with the Wind - sorting the fact from the fiction, The Power of Community.

We are excited to have the following speakers attend this event: Kate Auty (former Victorian Commissioner for the Environment), David Karoly (School of Earth Sciences, Melbourne University), Fiona Armstrong (Fellow of the Centre for Policy Development), Peter Seligman (Melbourne Energy Institute, University of Melbourne) and Hans Baer (Anthropologist, Melbourne University).

The festival will be held at the Gallery Café and attendees will be provided morning and afternoon tea and lunch.

Tickets are NOW AVAILABLE for purchase: Go to http://events.ticketbooth.com.au/event/3856288
Tickets $25.00 per person; (really good value for money!)

Invite all existing and new junior members for 2014/15 to Junior Registration Night
8 September 2014
6.30 pm at Princess Park
(Swans Club Rooms)
Come and try cricket with a sausage sizzle
16 September 2014
4.30pm-5.30pm
Princess Park