

Careers and VET News

Important Dates –

1-2 May	National Careers & Employment Expo
22-26 June	Year 11 Work Experience
6 August	PAC Careers Night

VET –

It has been a busy start to the year in careers and VET. We have a record number of boys involved in Vocational Education this semester across 11 diverse industry groups including tourism, business services, building, allied health, automotive and kitchen operations. We also have students participating in a variety of school based traineeships and apprenticeships. Boys in years 11 and 12 pair the VET subjects with a Work Education subject here at school. Week 3 also saw the first lesson of our own VET subject, metal fabrication. Students from PAC as well as a number of other schools are involved in this course.

Careers –

Year 10 classes have begun their careers testing and counselling this week, with 4 classes undertaking the online testing in their Pastoral Care lesson on Tuesday. The remaining classes will follow with their testing in coming weeks. Parents should look out for further information regarding individual counselling sessions later in the term.

Year 11 boys were introduced to the Work Experience program this week. All year 11 SACE students are expected to participate in the work experience programme from the 22 to the 26 of June. Year 11 IB boys will be supported in carrying out of a work experience placement but this will need to occur in the holidays as IB boys are involved in the Group 4 project during work experience week.

Important points for work experience:

- All placements must be in South Australia, they can be in remote or regional areas but interstate and international placements can not be supported.
- Placements can not occur with immediate family members.
- Part of the learning experience is for boys to take the major role in organising their own placement.
- No work placement can occur without a fully completed Workplace Agreement form.

- Where possible, work experience must be undertaken during week beginning 22 June.

Other:

YouthJET has initiated a suite of **parent forums**, one to run each month from February through November, to assist parents to navigate the vast array of opportunities available to their children whilst at school.

The forums are short 45 minute presentations with question and answer/ discussion time which enable parents to gain a more intricate insight into career pathways, subject selection, online resources and supports and other valuable information to assist them in supporting their children to make informed decisions about their future. These events also act as secondary support networks for parents who identify that there are others in like minded positions and can continue to link in with each other outside of the Parent Club forums.

The events are free and will be hosted at the YouthJET Training Centre, 151 Hutt Street, starting at 6.45pm

Topic	Date
Career Coaching – deciding on a Career	Tuesday 10th March
Parent Networks & Resources	Tuesday 7th April
Career Landscape Myths & Legends	Tuesday 5th May
Parental Pressures & Expectation	Tuesday 9th June
Uni, TAFE and other	Tuesday 7th July
VET NCVER & Skill Shortages	Tuesday 4th August
Para Professional Opportunities	Tuesday 8th September
Employability Skills	Tuesday 6th October
Gap Year Options: good, bad, ugly	Tuesday 10th November

To RSVP for any of these forums or to find out more information, contact:

YouthJET on 8227 0933 or email Ben Kluzek at b.kluzek@youthjet.com.au