IMPORTANT DATES

Date                      Name
3 Apr, 2014              Student/Parent Conferences – Hall
4 Apr, 2014              Last Day Term 1
22 Apr, 2014             Commence Term 2
23 Apr, 2014             Y12 Foods to Melbourne Museum
23 Apr, 2014             Y12 Fine Arts to NGV Top Arts
25 Apr, 2014             Public Holiday – ANZAC Day
28 Apr, 2014             Y11 English to Jewish Holocaust Museum
30 Apr, 2014             Y12 Studio Arts to NGV Top Arts
13 May, 2014             NAPLAN testing begins – Y5, 7 & 9
16 May, 2014             Y11 Physics to Scienceworks
21 May, 2014             Y11 OE Mountain Bike riding A
22nd May, 2014           OPEN DAY
22 May, 2014             Y11 OE Mountain Bike riding A
29 May, 2014             Y11 OE Mountain Bike riding B
30 May, 2014             Y11 OE Mountain Bike riding B
2 Jun, 2014              Y11 Exams start (Y10 elective exams in class)
6 Jun, 2014              Y12 English exam
9 Jun, 2014              Public Holiday – Queen's birthday
11 Jun, 2014             General Achievement Test (GAT)
11 Jun, 2014             Yr 10 exams start
16 Jun, 2014             Semester 2 commences
27 Jun, 2014             Y12 Formal
27 Jun, 2014             Last Day Term 2
14 Jul, 2014             Start Term 3

Principal's report
It seems such a short time ago that we were beginning the 2014 school year and now we are already at the end of term 1. I congratulate all the students who have contributed to the College’s smooth start, particularly those who are new to Box Hill Senior this year. Every student has now received 2 lots of GPAs and also have the opportunity for further feedback from their teachers at the Student Parent Conferences to be held on Thursday April 3. I trust that your assessment feedback enables you to reflect on your Personal Learning outcomes during the term. Take stock of any improvement strategies provided by your teachers and make sure you start term 2 with a positive and productive outlook.

College Council:
On Tuesday April 1 we had the first meeting of the 2014 College Council. The main purpose of this meeting was to elect office bearers and to present the 2013 Box Hill Senior Secondary College Annual Report. I acknowledge and thank all parents and staff who have taken on this important voluntary role.

All government schools in Victoria have a governing council which are legally formed bodies that are given powers to set key directions of the college within centrally provided guidelines. As such the Box Hill Senior Secondary College Council is able to directly influence the quality of education that is provided for our students.
In 2014 Council will consist of the following members:

**Parent representatives:**
- Gina D’Ettorre
- David Kelly
- Paul Hassall
- David Marshall
- Denise Mackey
- Gez Kelly
- Michael Petering

**Staff representatives:**
- Fiona Erwich
- Peter Taylor
- Damian Dwyer
- Philip Whelan

As Principal I serve as the Executive Officer of Council.

**India trip:**
In the first edition of CONTACT I alerted the College community to the planned cultural exchange trip to India to be held after the end of year exams have been completed. It is envisaged that we will leave in late November and be back in the second week of December. At this stage I am hoping to keep the cost of the tour to around $3300 - $3500. This cost will be split between:
- Airfares – about $2000
- Meals, accommodation, bus travel – about $1300 –$1500

At present about 10 students have indicated they intend coming on the trip. If you also want to join the tour party and you haven’t as yet registered your interest, please contact either myself or Andrea Wood (Director of Student Management).

**Steve Cook**
Principal

**Every day counts – school attendance**

The Victorian Government has introduced new measures to ensure students attend school every day and get the most out of their schooling.

Daily school attendance is important for all students to succeed in education and to ensure they don’t fall behind both socially and developmentally. Students who regularly attend school are more likely to complete Year 12 or an equivalent qualification, have better health outcomes, better employment outcomes, and higher incomes across their lives.

It is important that students demonstrate habits of regular attendance. From 1 March 2014, new laws will mean that parents can be fined for not sending students to school without an acceptable reason.

It is an expectation that parents regularly monitor student attendance and GPA (Compass on-line interim reports) and provide an explanation for each and every student absence. As per the College’s attendance and participation guidelines, unexplained absence greater than 10% in a subject means an ‘N’ -not satisfactory (fail) - result may be recorded on the student’s semester report.

At BHSSC, we all want our students to get a great education, and the building blocks for a great education begin with students coming to school each and every day.

There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind and can affect their educational outcomes.

Coming to school every day is vital, but if for any reason your child must miss school, there are things we can do together to ensure they don’t fall behind:
- Communicate with your student’s classroom teacher through Compass, email or phone, and find out what work needs to be completed.
• For extended absences due to illness or other reasons, an Absence Learning Plan will need to be completed in consultation with the Year Level Coordinator who will liaise with the classroom teachers, the parents and the student to ensure completion of the learning plan. Remember, every day counts. If your son/daughter must miss school, communicate the situation to the Year Level Coordinators and the classroom teachers as early as possible.

If you’re having attendance issues with your son/daughter please let the College know so we can work together to get your son/daughter to school every day or provide additional support during their absence. This way we can attempt to ensure they don’t fall behind and remain motivated and engaged.

Damian Dwyer
Assistant Principal
(School Performance)

**COMPASS – “our online link to you and your student/s”**

- [www.bhssc.vic.edu.au](http://www.bhssc.vic.edu.au)
- Go to “Quicklinks” on the right hand side of the “Home” page (middle)

**Attendance:**
Parents are reminded that students are required to have an approved attendance above 90%, or they are deemed not to have met the College attendance requirements. Parent explanations for student absences can be conveniently entered online either before or after an absence.

A step by step guide is located under “My News” on the RHS of the parent login page.
- Select the Approvals Tab *(NOT the Unapproved Tab)*
- Click on the green “Plus” *(ADD PARENT APPROVAL)* to add details.
- Select a “Reason” from the drop down menu.
- Enter the start and finish times of the absence at the bottom of the screen. **This can cover more than one day at a time.**
- Remember to SAVE before you close the screen.

**Parental Notes are not required for absences that have been entered online.** *(Parents who do not have ready online access can send a written note to the college giving approval for a student absence)*.

**Medical Certificates** should be presented to the office upon return to school.

Please note that extended absences must be approved by the College. Students can obtain a Learning plan to request approval for any absence of 5 days or more from their Year Level Coordinator, a minimum of one week prior to departure. Students undertaking a Year 12 subject who miss a SAC without a medical certificate may receive an N for the SAC and may fail the subject as a consequence.

**Progress Reports:**
The second Progress Report for 2014 has been published under the “Reports” tab of the Student Profile. Remember that you can email teachers directly from the COMPASS portal if you have any concerns as a result of the information in the progress report.

During Term 2, booking for Student Parent Conferences, Parent online approval and payments for excursions will be introduced. Information will be emailed to parents and placed in the “My News” section of the portal when these modules become available.

Parents who have misplaced their login can contact the college.

**Fiona Erwich**
Assistant Principal – Information Technology

**CAREERS AND PATHWAYS INFORMATION**

**Year 10 Work Experience**
Work experience is not compulsory but it is highly recommended that students have the opportunity to work in an area they are interested in for a week or two. There are no set school dates to undertake work experience. If a student wishes to do one week at a time, we will fit in when it suits the employer, provided it is not during exam times.
IMPORTANT - A Work Experience Arrangement Form must be completed at least one week prior to the student starting work.
The form must be filled in by all parties then forwarded to the Principal for his signature.
If this process is not completed your son or daughter will not be covered for Workcover or any public liability insurance whilst on the job.
If a student requires a work experience form or requires any further information please see Frank De Melis in the library or ring 9895 1155.

Students looking for work experience placements
An organisation called Inner Melbourne VET Cluster (IMVC) are providing a free service to students that assists in finding a suitable placement for work experience. Their primary function is for VET students seeking a work placement but they will also consider other students wishing to do work experience.
The application is done online through their website www.imvc.com.au. Select ‘Workplace Vacancies’ which will show you what vacancies are available and then fill in the application form.
If you require any further information please contact Frank De Melis on 9895 1155.

Tax File Numbers
The Australian Taxation Office offers students an easier option in applying for a Tax File Number. There is a simplified application form that uses school information to verify the student’s personal particulars. If your son or daughter would like to apply for a tax file number, please see Frank De Melis in the library.

RSPCA – Animal Career Discovery Days
As the leading animal welfare organisation in Victoria, the RSPCA utilises a range of skilled staff to care for animals and campaign for better animal welfare. The Discovery Days will include presenters in Animal Attendants, Adoption Officers, Vets, Vet nurses, Behaviourists and Inspectors. The day will include hands on activities and behind the scenes tours. Learn insights from industry experts and how you can succeed in an animal care profession.

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For more information and to download a registration form visit: http://www.rspcavic.org/services/education/secondary-education/animal-career-discovery-day

The Age – VCE and Careers Expo 2014
When: Thursday 8th to Sunday 11th of May
Where: Caulfield Racecourse

Exhibitors include providers of VCE resources, universities, TAFE and training colleges plus 156 seminars on VCE subjects, tertiary courses, career, gap year and study advice. For more information visit vceandcareers.com.au

Frank De Melis
Careers Adviser and Pathways Coordinator

Year 12 Study Day
Year 12 Students are invited to attend a study day on Friday, April 11 from 9.30 to 3pm in the College Library. Teachers will be present to assist students with the English Context Writing piece. Light refreshments will be provided.

Listen…..would you like to hear a story…?

Many of the English texts for Years 9 – 12 are available on audio USB from the College Library. Please see Peter in the Library to get your copy before they run out!!!
Student accident insurance/Ambulance cover arrangements and private property brought to school

Parents are reminded that the Department does not provide personal accident insurance or ambulance cover for students. Parents and guardians of students, who do not have student accident insurance/ambulance cover, are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including the cost of ambulance attendance/transport and any other transport costs.

Parents/guardians can purchase insurance policies from commercial insurers.

Personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include mobile phones, calculators, toys, sporting equipment and cars parked on school premises. As the Department does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property, students should be discouraged from bringing any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school.

Science News:
Analytical Chemistry Excursion to VSSEC

On 27/3/14 the Unit 3 Chemistry class spent the day at the Victorian Space Science Centre in Strathmore, using their analytical chemistry equipment. Pictured is Adam Cliffe, performing Atomic Absorption metal concentration analysis. Students also performed analyses using gas chromatography and UV Visible spectroscopy to determine the ethanol content of vodka and the aspirin content of headache tablets.

Blood Bank Excursion 14/3/14

Students from BHSSC travelled to the Ringwood Red Cross Blood donation centre to donate their blood. Each donation can save three lives. The Box Hill Senior Secondary shows 52 donations so far in the Club Red website. Anthony Mosse is shown donating.

Victorian International School Student Welcome Event

Our International Student Coordinator, Belle and I attended an event at the Government House today to welcome international students in Victoria. In this event, there were five main things: the Minister of Education Hon Martin Dixon’s speech, speeches were made by some international students who had obtained high marks in VCE, a speech from an international student who was awarded the Year 12 Student Leadership Award in 2012 and a Chinese Zither performance from a student from Balwyn High School. This was followed by morning tea.

The Hon Martin Dixon spoke very fast so I could not understand all of what he said but it was all about welcoming us to Victoria to study and hoping we could all enjoy our school days.

After his speech, we listened to the recipient of the leadership award. This speech had a big impact on me. She said for overseas students studying in Australia, the most important thing was to communicate with other people and not let differences in culture and ideas become barriers to communication with others. I found that what she said made sense. Even if we have differences in our culture, we need to understand each other.

I realised that it was not a few international students who face this problem but all of us face the same problem. It is quite hard for us to make friends or communicate with Australians but it is very important for us. We should all make our short school life in Australia significant.

The Government House was very gorgeous and the morning tea was very elegant and delicious! I want to thank Belle who gave me this opportunity to experience this wonderful event.

Maki NAKATA, Year 11
Visual and Performing Arts News

‘In the Spotlight’
A big, big congratulations to Leah Milburn-Clark for not only achieving a top score for her drama solo exam as “Mr Moon” and 47 for her study score, she has also been chosen to perform in “Top Class-Season of Excellence in the Performing Arts” which will be held on the 30th April at the Melbourne Recital Centre. We are very proud of Leah’s achievement!!!

Fashion star
Laura Keogh at the Blue Diamond Stakes Day, wearing her own design concept 2014
Laura Keogh studied VCE at Box Hill Senior Secondary College. She completed Year 12 in 2007. She successfully completed three fashion subjects at Box Hill Senior Secondary College. In 2010 she completed an Advanced Diploma in Fashion design & technology from Kangan Institute.
In her final year of tertiary studies she won the Little Black Dress competition held by Tessuti fabrics & was awarded a trip to New York.
From New York Laura travelled to London and worked for Future Classics, a designer women’s wear label.
She then returned to Melbourne & has worked for LM for 2 years in Easey St Collingwood as a product developer/account manager, developing women’s apparel for large Australian retail brands.
She has participated in various fashion competitions during her studies and won awards. She regularly participates in Melbourne Cup and Stake Day “Fashion on the Field” competitions as a fashion designer and milliner.
Maria Repanis
Fashion Teacher

Thursday the 20th of March 2014, the year 11 and 12 fashion students went on an inspiring fashion excursion. We were able to spend the day viewing beautiful art and fashion following the Virgin Fashion Festival cultural program. This included the NGV galleries and independent fashion boutiques such as: Curtain House, Alice Euphemia and Nicholas building.
It was an inspiring day and we would like to thank Maria Repanis and Susan Connell for organizing this incredible day.

Music Department News

Guest Artists – Steve Wade and Steve Vertigan (Advance Program)
Renowned singer/songwriter Steve Wade will be our guest artist for the first week in term two. He will conduct songwriting workshops, which will culminate in the BHSSC students running their own song writing workshops at Mont Albert Primary school. The songs will then be recorded by VET Technical Production students with the help of Steve Vertigan.
Steve Wade, an ex Little River Band lead singer, and songwriter, has produced advertising jingles for companies such as Coke, Ford, McDonalds, RSPCA and many, many more. www.stevewade.com/swade/index.html
Steve Vertigan, former teacher at BHSSC, runs the highly successful Soggy Dog recording studio in Upwey.
This is a unique and valuable opportunity for our students to work with this extraordinary musician and songwriter.
Students will be writing songs over the holidays in order to make the most of this opportunity.

May Concerts at Burrinja Gallery
The annual May concerts at the Burrinja Gallery have been confirmed for Tuesday and Wednesday May 13 and 14. This is a ‘must see’ event, providing an opportunity for students to perform in a wonderful, intimate café style setting. Stay tuned for more information.
**Humanities News**

**Court excursion**

Over the past week both Year 11 Legal Studies classes visited the County and Supreme Court in Melbourne’s CBD. They got the chance to speak directly with a County Court Judge and to sit in on some extremely interesting and emotionally charged cases. The students learnt a lot about our legal system and they should all be proud of the respectful behaviour they displayed in the courtroom.

**Loddon Prison Excursion**

On March 27th both Year 11 Legal Studies classes spent the day at Loddon Prison in Victoria’s central north. Through direct interaction with prisoners they found out a little bit about what life is like on the inside. Though sometimes confronting, the prison visit program provides students with a first-hand look at how difficult prison life is. Hopefully they took away some valuable lessons about how not to put themselves in the type of situations which can have terrible and far reaching consequences.

**Sport News**

**Tim Karpinski** is the recipient of Schools Sports Victoria 2013 Award for Outstanding Achievement in Tennis.

“Ranked 997 in the men’s national tennis rankings, Timothy has been part of the Tennis Victoria Future Stars invitational program for nearly two years. A resilient and determined athlete, Timothy was undefeated in the singles competition of the National Bruce Cup, where he represented Victoria and consistently placed in the top eight at gold level tournaments throughout 2013” (as quoted from the SSV Awards Ceremony).

**TAC Football squads**

Congratulations to the following students who have made the list at various TAC U18 clubs. At Oakleigh Chargers: Jack Mahon, Jett Guerin, Sam Vanderhaar, Zac Jones, Liam Kinsella and Jack Savage. At Eastern Ranges there is James Parsons, Sam Wright, Sam Lennox, Athiei Mabior, Jayden Collins and Darcy Crocker. Tyler Hayward has been selected at Sandringham Dragons and Jacob Booth has been included at Northern Knights. Well done to all and we hope you have a successful season!
Football
This year the Senior squad will once again be participating in the Premier League of the SSV competition. There are large numbers in the squad and everyone is encouraged to train hard and get fit for selection. The first three weeks of Term 2 will be quite hectic.
Games are as follows:
Wed 23rd April Practice game versus De La Salle
Wed 30th April Premier League game versus Palm Beach Currumbin Gold Coast
Wed 7th May Premier League versus Hallam SC
Wed 28th May Premier League versus Sale CC

The Year 10 boys will be playing their Round Robin on Tuesday 20th May

Future Stars
One of our Future Stars will be busy during the holidays and early in Term 2. Rachel Limburg has been selected to compete in two sports at the national level. Firstly she will competing in the National Athletic championships (Albert Park Melb) on the 3rd and 4th April. Currently, Rachel is ranked #1 in Victoria in the Heptathlon. This is a gruelling event combining the following disciplines: long jump, high jump, 100m hurdles, 200m, 800m, javelin and shot put. It is the first time that she will compete in this field at a National level.
If this was not enough, in the first week of the holidays Rachel will be competing in the National Womens’ Baseball Championships in Wollongong in NSW for Victoria.
She is one of the youngest members of the Open Womens’ team.
What a Future Star!!

Also in the Future Stars squad is Jackson Williams. He is a Motocross rider. He recently competed in the first round of the State titles, coming 3rd in the 15/16 year old section. There are three more rounds to go. Jackson hopes to go to the Nationals in August in Sydney. To fine tune his performance he will compete during the holidays in the Gippsland series at Maffra.

Former Australian basketball coach to visit BHSSC.
Brian Goorjian (brother of BHSSC coach Kevin) will be conducting a clinic for students in the last week of term. Brian is an Australian Basketball Hall of Fame inductee. He has been coaching in China for the past few years and when he returns to Australia for a holiday always takes the opportunity to visit the college and run a session.

Congratulations to David King (pictured right) for winning the district golf and now moves on to EMR next term.

On Tuesday 1st of April the Andrew Bogut Academy came to Box Hill SSC to play our senior boys first team. We welcomed back for the day, three of our year 12 students from last year, Dylan Hogarty-Doyle, Ryan Miller and Cam Smith.

Congratulations also, to our senior baseball team for winning the district baseball title this term.
Well done to our boys and girls volleyball teams for representing the school at district level this term.

Upcoming events will see the senior boys first and second teams and senior girls teams attending the Australian College of Basketball, located at MSAC in Albert Park. All teams will play a game and then we will have a tour of the facilities on offer at MSAC.

**What's Happening in Food Technology?**

Year 9 and 10 Food and Nutrition students have been working on the “Family Favourites” design task. Each student selected and produced either a main course or dessert dish. Some of their creations are pictured left.
Yr. 11 mentoring 5/6 Asian Cuisine Cooking Session

On Thursday, 27 March, M.Y.S.C Yr. 5/6 students participated in an Asian Cuisine cooking session in the College Food Technology kitchen with Yr. 11 Food Technology program students.

The session was deliberately scheduled to enable our Yr. 11 students the valuable experience and opportunity of being mentors to our Yr. 5/6 students as they guided them through the preparation and cooking of two popular Asian dishes, fried rice and rice paper roles.

The Yr. 5/6 students have been studying *Asian Perspectives* in Integrated Studies throughout Term One and celebrated their learning and enjoyment of participating in this unit of study by sharing some Asian cuisine they had prepared.

The Yr. 5/6 Students thoroughly enjoyed the session and their term’s learning as evident in a selection of their quotes below. Many thanks to teachers, Natalie Murray and Patricia O’Donnell, for organising and facilitating this most rewarding experience.

I enjoyed studying Asia and we got to cook fried rice and rice paper rolls. The best part was we got to eat it.” Ethan Watts Year 6

I really enjoyed making fried rice and rice paper rolls. It was great fun. It was a good experience cooking some Asian food. Everyone brought in a type of food from the country they were studying. All the food was really nice” Josh Petering Year 5

I enjoyed going to the Food Tech Room and cooking some nice Asian dishes and studying Asia. I studied Japan” Emily Harvey Year 5

I really enjoyed the cooking time with the year 11’s. The best part of the day was when everyone brought food about their country of research. I really enjoyed studying Asia and especially my country of research—China.” Hari Behara Year 6

On Thursday, 27 March 2014 I enjoyed cooking in the Senior Building with the year 11’s. It was fun. We made Fried Rice and Rice Paper Rolls. My favourite bit was when we ate it. Then everyone in my class brought food from Asia. I chose Malaysia.”

Sean Flanagan Year 5

Wellbeing Section

Purpose of the Wellbeing Team at BHSSC
To promote mental, social, physical and emotional health for young people in order to enhance learning and life course outcomes.

The role of the welfare team
- To provide support for staff in dealing with at risk students
- To provide support for students who are dealing with issues such as: mental health, disabilities, social issues, disadvantage, crises
- To provide information for staff concerning a number of issues that may affect students
- To provide strategies for staff and parents in dealing with students who are experiencing some of the aforementioned issues.

The Wellbeing team
Andrea Foster – Youth Worker
Amy Pascoe/Andrea Wood – Directors of Advocacy and Wellbeing
Gemma McKechnie – Psychologist from Nirodah Trust

Wellbeing referral process
1. Parents can refer students directly by calling either Amy or Andrea Foster on 9890 0571
2. Students can self refer through teachers or Student Services
3. Teachers can refer, through school referral process
Counselling

- College can offer in school short term counselling with Andrea Foster
- College can provide assistance in obtaining long term external counselling
- College can offer a free counselling service with Gemma McKechnie a registered Psychologist, through Medicare and Nirodah Trust

Local Initiatives

Whitehorse Youth Representative Committee

The “Whitehorse Youth Representative Committee” (WYRC) is looking to recruit for 2013. Young people from the age of 12 – 24 years from the City of Whitehorse who may be interested in being a young leader are encouraged to apply. Being in the WYRC will provide members opportunities to do the following:

- Talk to other young people about what is important for them
- Be a strong voice for young people’s needs in the community and represent them to council
- Learn about Leadership, Advocacy and Consultation
- Learn more about and increase your connection to your Whitehorse Community
- Learn and connect with your local council and better understand how it works
- Meet new people with similar passions and interests
- Have lots of fun

For more information, contact Jacqueline from Whitehorse Youth Services on 98989340 or email on jacqueline.piper@whitehorse.vic.gov.au or download a form from www.whitehorse.vic.gov.au/Youth-Services.html

Cruzin Study Homework Program (Term 1)

This is a free, supported homework program for all secondary school, TAFE and university students. Sessions are available each week of the school term. Please contact Andrea Wood, Acting Director of Wellbeing and Advocacy on 98900571 for more details.

For more information contact Youth Services on 98989340 or email on youth.worker@whitehorse.vic.gov.au
Werribee Open Range Zoo’s Keeper for a Day program
April 8, 10 & 14
Are you thinking of a career that involves working with animals? Come and join us for a day and participate in a range of hands on experiences designed to provide you with an insight into the role of a Zoo Keeper. This is a great opportunity to find out first hand from keepers the skills and experience recommended to gain a position as a Zoo keeper amongst a competitive field of applicants.
Ages: 13-18 years. (Years 7-12)
Cost: $103.00; $92.70 zoo members

Healesville Sanctuary’s Vet for a Day program
April 9, 10, 16 & 17
Our Australian Wildlife Health Centre receives over 2,000 injured and orphaned wild animals each year. Come and work alongside our vets in a unique program on real life cases involving Healesville Sanctuary’s animal collection as well as injured wildlife brought to the hospital. These school holidays, our theme is Corroboree giving you the chance to also learn about animals from a traditional perspective. Get up close to amazing animals such as Corroboree frogs, Kangaroos, Dingoes and Suger Gliders. Vet for a Day allows participants to work in our vet hospital for the day, helping out our vets and learning about one of the most rewarding jobs!
Ages: 15-18 years. (Years 9-12).
Cost: $125; $112.50 zoo members

Healesville Sanctuary’s Keeper for a Day program
April 8, 9, 15 & 16
Come and work as a Keeper at Healesville Sanctuary these school holidays and get up close to some of our most precious and endangered animals. These school holidays, our theme is Corroboree giving you the chance to work with some of our indigenous keepers and also learn about animals from a traditional perspective. Meet amazing Corroboree frogs, Pythons and Birds of Prey. Keeper for a Day allows participants to work in the Sanctuary for the day, helping out our Keepers and learning about one of the most rewarding jobs!
Ages: 13-18 years. (Years 7-12)
Cost: $103.00; $92.70 zoo members

Bookings: 9285 9406
‘Lightmare Studios’, an Australian video game development company is offering a six and a half month school based traineeship in game design to Year 10 & 11 students for Semester 2.

Participants earn a Cert III in Digital Arts at the Box Hill Institute of TAFE, Nelson Campus and are paid to work for Lightmare Studios online, making game prototypes.

Students study character design, 3D creation and animation among other design skills, one day a week onsite at BHIT and complete seven hours work each week, after hours from home at their own computer as part of a “virtual workspace” where they are guided by a project manager to conceptualise and create original game ideas within a team.

Lightmare are proud to deliver a truly unique opportunity to students wanting to explore this fascinating and thriving industry and introduce them to new, exciting skills. Please see Frank De Melis for more details.