



Tayla flies high on work experience

Year 11 Engineering and Metals student Tayla Carll recently doubled down on her work experience by booking herself two weeks back-to-back with different employers.

Tayla had booked a week with the College's P-TECH Australia Engineering program partner Century Engineering before discovering she had been selected as one of just 14 girls from around the country to take part in the Flight Camp at RAAF Base Pearce in Western Australia.

Instead of cancelling her commitment to the Edinburgh North-based manufacturing firm, Tayla asked to move her work experience by a week so she could do both. This enabled Tayla to travel to Western Australia for one week before completing her work experience week with Century Engineering in her school holidays.

Principal Danny Deptula praised Tayla for her commitment to her future. Mr Deptula said the fact that Tayla kept her commitment to Century Engineering meant she was able to get a more intensive, holistic view of the defence engineering industry. Her enthusiasm was also noticed by Century Engineering, who were impressed by Tayla's interest in the industry.

"She has gone from a military hangar in Western Australia, to the heavy fabrication workshop of a local defence contractor within a few days which has really enriched her experience of both organisations," Mr Deptula said.

He urged all students to follow Tayla's lead for the remaining five blocks for 2018. The vast majority of apprenticeship commencements were the result of successful work experience blocks.



During her five days in Western Australia, Tayla got up-close with military aircraft including the PC/9 and Hawk 27, a flight on a C-27J.

Any student needing support to locate a suitable employer for Work Experience or requiring further information should contact their Pastoral Care Teacher, our Industry Partnerships Manager or Student Services.

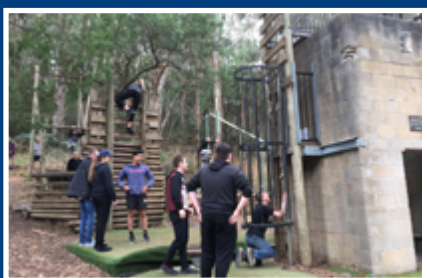
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| #2 | Mon 28 May - Fri 1 Jun
(forms due 18 May) |
| #3 | Mon 2 Jul - Fri 6 Jul
(forms due 22 Jun) |
| #4 | Mon 20 Aug - Fri 24 Aug
(forms due 10 Aug) |
| #5 | Mon 24 Sep - Fri 28 Sep
(forms due 14 Sep) |
| #6 | Mon 26 Nov - Fri 30 Nov
(forms due 15 Nov) |



Year 12 Retreat

This week saw 40 students and five teachers travel to Woodhouse for the annual Year 12 Retreat. Despite the cold and sometimes rainy weather, the group enjoyed their time away. The students took part in an obstacle course, yoga, self reflection tasks and many other activities. Thank you to Mr Neate for coordinating the trip again this year.





Diary Dates

MAY

- 1 Term 2 starts
- 9 - 11 Year 12 Retreat
- 15 Parent/Teacher evening 3 - 8pm.
Students early finish @ 2.30pm
- 16 AFL Knockout @MyMoneyOval,
Elizabeth. StPatsTech v Playford
International from 8.30am
- 18 Whole School Assembly @9am
- 18 Work Experience #2 forms deadline
- 22 Whole school liturgy
- 25 - 26 Adelaide Careers & Employment
Expo, Adelaide Showgrounds
- 28 - 1 June Work Experience #2 / SbAT Week

JUNE

- 11 Queen's Birthday public holiday
- 15 Family Satisfaction Survey Due
- 22 Work Experience #3 forms deadline
- 29 Whole school liturgy

JULY

- 2 - 6 Work Experience #3 / SbAT Week
- 4 - 6 Thomas More College Try-a-Trade
- 6 Term 2 ends
- 9 - 23 School holidays
- 24 Term 3 starts
- 31 Parent / Teacher evening 3 - 8pm
Students early finish @2.30pm

School Card Remission on Tuition Fees

St Patrick's Technical College provides families with a standard 40 per cent remission on Tuition Fees for those eligible for School Card.

Are you aware that School Card eligibility income limits for families of students attending a Catholic School have been raised substantially during 2018?

If your gross 2016/2017 Financial Year family income is below \$60,000 you may be eligible for School Card.

Please contact the Finance Officer if you would like any further information regarding applying for School Card.

PAM

The Parent Access Module (PAM) system has been set up for all families with students at StPatsTech.

Parents and Caregivers should have received a letter detailing how to access PAM.

PAM enables parents and caregivers to see daily messages, timetables, attendance and their child's reports.

You can use PAM to report absences and book teacher/parent interviews. The College strongly encourages families to regularly log onto PAM to check notes and notices and to keep up-to-date with your child's schooling.

Access is via <http://pam.stpats-tech.sa.edu.au>

2018 Term Dates

Term 2 |

Tue 1 May - Fri 6 Jul

Term 3 |

Tue 24 Jul - Fri 28 Sep

Term 4 |

Tue 16 Oct - Fri 30 Nov

Early finishing times

> Tuesday 15 May students dismissed @2.30pm

> Tuesday 31 July students dismissed @2.30pm

Feedback

COLLEGE PERFORMANCE

The College is seeking parent and student feedback in two surveys.

The first survey is the [St Patrick's Technical College Family Satisfaction Survey 2018](#). An email has also been sent to all families with the details and links to this survey.

Under the Education Act 2013, St Patrick's Technical College is required to produce an Annual Performance Report.

Part of this report is surveying parents, teachers and students regarding satisfaction with the College.

Families with students who attended St Patrick's Technical College in 2017 are asked to complete the following survey by Friday, 15 June 2018.

The survey can be accessed via this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NCW5Q95>

The Annual Performance Report will be made available on the College website.

If you require further information or have trouble accessing the survey, please contact Marketing and Communications Coordinator Hayley Odgers on (08) 8209 3722 or email hayley.odgers@stpatstech.sa.edu.au



Having trouble viewing surveys?

Surveys are done via the SurveyMonkey website and are accessible via most devices.

If you are having trouble opening a survey, ensure you have JavaScript and cookies enabled in your browser.

If you are experience difficulty, clear your browsing history, cookies and cache. You may also need to check SurveyMonkey is not blocked by your firewall.

STUDENT REPORTS

This year we are doing things a little different with Student Reports by going digital.

As part of our review process, we are seeking feedback from families about how the reports were presented and accessed. Your feedback will help us improve the reporting process in the future.

The survey consists of 10 questions and should only take a few minutes to complete.

The survey can be accessed here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XJLMNB7>

Reports can be accessed via the Parent Access Module (PAM) system. PAM enables parents and caregivers to see daily messages, timetables, attendance and their child's reports. You can use PAM to report absences and book teacher/parent interviews. To access PAM go to: <http://pam.stpatstech.sa.edu.au>

Tech in the class room

St Patrick's Technical College students are learning in a more effective, collaborate way thanks to technology in the classroom.

This year staff have integrated the use of smart TVs, Microsoft Surface Pro tablets and Microsoft OneNote into one powerful educational tool.

Using the OneNote programs, students have access to their own personal digital workbooks where they can make notes, annotations and save work accessible by their teachers at any time of the day.

Teachers are also able to provide curriculum, resources, notes and assignments which students can access anywhere and anytime through the program.



One of the College's newest and youngest teachers, Tom Bruce said the technology provided real-time updates between teachers and students, which improved work flow.

"It's very important for students to be exposed to new technologies especially for those hoping to go straight from school into the workforce," Mr Bruce said.

"The biggest advantage of technology in the classroom is it makes the students more efficient and the teacher can be very responsive in supporting them and providing guidance and feedback."

Mr Bruce said the three technologies combined meant he was not simply at the front of a classroom presenting information on a whiteboard. The entire class was linked through the program and he can move around physically and digitally to individual students. Teachers can also bring up information and resources on the classroom's interactive LED screen in one tap.

St Patrick's Technical College is undertaking a technology refresh to ensure its students and staff have access to current technologies and improving their learning outcomes.

StPatsTech's latest sign ups

Congratulations to all our new apprentices and trainees

Please support the businesses that support our local youth

NAME	TRADE	EMPLOYER
TREMBATH, Isaac	Cert III Carpentry	Stairlock
TINGEY, Jayden	Cert II Auto Electrical	MTA-GTS
DOMAN-HICKS , Chelsea	Cert III Commercial Cooking	Hotel Kingsford Pty Ltd
CURNOW, Corey	Cert III Plumbing	Master Plumbers
NEILSON, Noah	Cert III Cabinet Making	A Class Kitchens
HIGGINBOTTOM, Thomas	Cert III Carpentry	PKB Services
HABARUGLIA, Oscar	Cert III Bricklaying/Blocklaying	G & D Taylor
MEAD, Brock	Cert III Engineering	Statewide Group Training (SA) Inc
JOYCE, Kurtis	Cert III Commercial Cooking	FINO Seppeltsfield



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Invitation

St Patrick's Technical College invites employers, business and industry for a free sausage sizzle and tour of our \$15million purpose-built trade and technical facilities.

Friday, 1 June 2018

Noon to 1.30pm

2-6 Hooke Road

Edinburgh North

Catholic Education Week

May 25 to June 1 2018
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Catholic Schools Magazine!
The Advertiser - May 19



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Playground at Crisis Centre

St Patrick's Technical College is partnering with St Vincent de Paul Society to provide safe, secure spaces for some of the state's most vulnerable children.

Students from the College will design and build a play area and dog accommodation for the Vinnie's Women's Crisis Centre in Adelaide.

The 21 room crisis centre provides all meals and serviced rooms as well as kitchen, laundry and computer facilities for women in crisis. The facility is a child-friendly, pet-friendly service and provides women in crisis access to practical services to rebuild their lives.

St Vincent de Paul Society's Schools and Community Engagement Officer Jayne Shortt visited the College recently and met with the students and staff involved in the program.

The College will provide the design (in consultation with Vinnies), materials and labour. Other Catholic schools will help with fundraising for the project.

"I don't know how we would do this play area without St Patrick's Technical College being involved," Ms Shortt said.

"It's also really important for us as an organisation to have the opportunity to talk with students about domestic violence and have that conversation around it with young people."

The first project will be building the dog accommodation and play space before the playground project scheduled by 2019.

Ms Shortt said the centre currently homes about 30 children at a time with hundreds expected through the doors in the coming years.

"It's very important to have a play area within the centre because women are frightened to access the public playgrounds. This playground will let the children play and the mums can relax. I know the play area will be fantastic and it will be very meaningful to our guests," Ms Shortt said.

The Year 12 Building and Construction class will undertake the project. Year 12 and Religious Education Coordinator John Neate said the College was proud to be involved with the program which not only benefitted the families at the centre, but would help build students' trade skills.

Pictured is St Vincent de Paul Society's Schools and Community Engagement Officer Jayne Shortt, College Principal Danny Deptula, StPatsTech Board Chair Tricia Hicks, College Leader Lachlan Osborne and teacher Branden Hill.

HolyThursday funday



Battery project

Students in year 12 Electrotechnology have just completed a task in which they have made batteries. They have been looking at chemical energy and studies different types of batteries and cells.

Students have been completing a number of practicals looking at reactions of electrodes, concentrations of electrolytes and calculations of voltage. In order to complete this task, students also needed to design a make their own battery case and lid by using Autodesk Fusion 360.

These were then printed on the 3D Printer. Students designed and made their own batteries based on their practical and research work and all were able to achieve a voltage.

The most successful in the class were Zac Walford and Dylan Brading who achieved the highest voltage.



Principal's message

Term 2, 2018 is now underway and we have another busy time ahead.

With the first block of Work Experience for the year, completed, it is a timely reminder for students that Block Two is only just around the corner and paper work is now due.

If you require any support finding a business or contact, speak with your teachers, Ms Hartley or Ms Makara.

We have seen a number of students this year take up work opportunities presented to them and I would like to congratulate all those who have secured an apprenticeship or traineeship.

Students securing a School-based Apprenticeship or Traineeship is the focus of our College. The best way to help students secure a job, is through work experience. This is why we require students to complete a minimum of six weeks work experience per year.

This week has seen our Year 12s travel to Woodhouse in the Adelaide Hills for the Year 12 Retreat. Along with teachers Mr Neate, Ms Hamilton, Mr Sheridan, Mr Gauci, and Mr Mac, 40 students spent three days reflecting on their life journey to this point, what sustains them and focussing on their future growth and development.

I trust all those who took part came away with a stronger appreciation of their place in the world and a greater hope for their future.

This month we celebrate Catholic Education Week from May 25 to June 1. This coincides with Work Experience and SbAT week for the College. We will be hosting an industry/employer sausage sizzle and encourage all students to invite their work experience employer hosts to join us for this event.

This will be a great chance for employers and College supporters to tour the campus and meet College staff. We also extend the invitation to our wider community and ask families to share the invitation with any employers they think might be interested to learn more about the College.

Danny Deptula
Principal

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