

# MINDARIE SENIOR COLLEGE

WHERE YOUR FUTURE BEGINS

## > PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to our Year 12 students and a warm welcome to our new Year 11 students. I look forward to working with you, the staff and community members to ensure your child has the support to be successful and exit the College with the skills and knowledge to make informed choices about their future direction in life.

We encourage every student to have high expectations, set goals, work hard, develop resilience and seek help while making use of all the resources we have here at the College. My staff are here to help your child, not only succeed, but to achieve to the very best of their ability in every course they study. I look forward to meeting with you throughout the year at our various College activities and trust you will keep the College informed of any relevant information regarding your son or daughter.

I recommend you take some time to read the College's various policies which can be found on our webpage under 'OUR COLLEGE' then 'COLLEGE POLICIES' -

<https://www.mindarie.wa.edu.au/college-policies>

These policies were issued to all new 2020 students in the Information Handbook in the Enrolment Pack last year but some may have been updated since being issued.

This year at our fundraising event 'The World's Greatest Shave' on Thursday, 12th March, supporting the Leukaemia Foundation, I will have my head shaved at the College during our lunch break. If you would like to donate to this worthy cause, please click on the link below.

Thank you for your support!!!

<https://secure.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/registant/FundraisingPage.aspx?RegistrationID=774695>

*Year 11 students being welcomed to the College by Principal, Mrs Janice Sander and Year 11 Associate Principal, Mr Jonathan Bromage*



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INFORMATION  
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## > IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### **Parents as Partners - Making a positive start to the academic year**

Parents are critical to their child's success at school. You can help your child to maximise their results by encouraging them to be resilient and to persevere when 'the going gets tough'.

Your child's success will be influenced by the following:

- Regular attendance
- Making use of the Flexi-day on Wednesdays to do study, attend revision courses and catch up on work
- Attending relevant academic support programs, study classes, revision tutorials, university and TAFE excursions and information sessions at the College
- Having a suitable environment at home to complete homework and study
- Completing homework on time and to a high standard
- Your understanding of what your child is capable of achieving and supporting him or her to achieve

I strongly encourage you to attend as many College events as you can that relate to your child's education. I also encourage you to consider putting a nomination in to join the College Board as new parents are always welcome and valued as members.

### **Attendance at the College**

It is compulsory for students to attend all of their timetabled classes unless they have a reasonable cause for absence.

**Under the Education Act, it is not sufficient for a parent to give permission for their child to stay home unless there is a reasonable cause e.g sickness, medical appointment. Unreasonable reasons include driving lessons, staying home to revise for tests etc.**

A note must be provided for any absences. Early departures must be explained with a written note or phone call from a parent/guardian on the day. Due to the flexible timetable at the College, there will be periods where a number of students may not be timetabled to attend a class. This will include a number of Workplace Learning students who may have up to 3 hours during the week without a class as they will have completed their commitments on Wednesdays.

Students may leave the College grounds when they are not timetabled for a class, as well as during lunch and recess. If students leave the College grounds during these times, they are no longer under the reasonable control and supervision of the College. The College is therefore unable to accept responsibility for injuries that befall students, or for any misconduct on the part of the students, while they are away from the College grounds during these times. Students may use the library and Café facilities during non-contact periods. Students will not be given permission to leave the College early to catch buses home.

### **Absence Notifications**

I would like to encourage all parents and guardians to notify the College when their child has been /or will be absent from the College. Students should not be taking family holidays during term time as there are six weeks of holiday time during the year. We have a full time Attendance Officer, Ms Andrea Talbot who can be contacted on 6207 5521 for any absentee notifications, or you can SMS the College on 0409 084 812. Please visit the 'Attendance and Absences' webpage which has information on when text messages are sent home and the process when students need to leave early or arrive late.

<https://www.mindarie.wa.edu.au/attendance-and-absences>

### **College Charges and Contributions**

The college would like to thank the parents who have paid their College charges in full. Parents with outstanding balances should arrange payment by the end of Term 1 or contact the College to arrange a payment plan.

An updated invoice will be posted home in March. Eligible concession and Health Care card holders may be entitled up to \$350 towards school expenses under the Secondary Assistance Scheme. Applications close

**Thursday, 9 April 2020** and parents should contact the Finance Officer, Clare Furmark on 6207 5508 for further information. Online payments can be made by visiting: <http://www.mindarie.wa.edu.au/payments>

Other payment options can be found on your child's charges sheet.

## Wednesday Attendance - Flexi Day

The College is open for private study and tutorials on Wednesdays. Students should see their teachers for details and check which tutorials will be offered. Most tutorials will have ended by 1pm. A teacher or Library Officer must be present when students are studying in the Library until 3pm. All students must sign in and out at reception and wear a student sticker while in the College.

Students are not required to wear the College uniform on Wednesdays unless attending an excursion.

## Supervision of Students Before and After School

Teachers will be on duty from 8.00am until the start of classes at 8.25am and for twenty minutes after the conclusion of the last class. Students are not to attend before or after these times unless they have the permission from a teacher or are attending the Fitness Centre or after hours tutorials.

As there will be no one to supervise the students outside the above arrangements, the College cannot accept responsibility for students on College grounds outside these times.

## Publicity Permission

On enrolment at the College, parents gave permission for the College to use their child's photo for internal and external purposes. This could include educational purposes, library cards, class projects, Information Updates, television appearances, newspaper articles, webpage articles, Facebook posts, Youtube videos etc. Parents are to notify the College in writing if they do not want their child's photo to appear in any College material.

## Smart Rider Cards

Year 11 students and new Year 12 students will soon be receiving a new Smart Rider card with their photo and information identifying them as a student at Mindarie Senior College. Money on Smart Rider cards does not transfer across when students order a new card at a new school. Therefore, we suggest that students continue to use their old Smart Rider card until all credit on it is used, then put money on their new Mindarie Smart Rider card.

## College Uniform

The wearing of the College uniform is compulsory; this includes the wearing of fully enclosed footwear. I ask for your support in ensuring your child wears the Mindarie Senior College uniform correctly without alterations, eg shortened skirt or short length. As Mindarie Senior College has a flexible timetable, some students enter or leave the College grounds at various times during the College day. As a consequence it is imperative that we can identify our students at all times. Students who do not comply with the College policy may be sent home to change.

A reminder that all students doing Physical Education Studies and Certificate Courses are required to purchase a Phys Ed shirt for their practical lessons. These items are available through Tudor Uniforms. Uniform purchases are available at the College every Thursday from 12.30 to 2.30pm in Student Services. Tudor can also be contacted on 9408 2666 or visit the shop at: Unit 1, 75 Excellence Drive, Wangara from 8.30am - 4.00pm.



## OLNA - Online Literacy and Numeracy Assessment

Students who are working towards achieving Category 3 in OLNA will have their next opportunity to sit OLNA in March. This includes students who are new to WA and therefore have not previously had the opportunity to sit OLNA. Students and parents will receive information in the coming weeks.

## Saver Plus Program for Parents

Saver Plus is a financial education program that assists people to save for education expenses. Saver Plus can assist families to help pay for educational costs including school uniforms, textbooks, camps and excursions, laptop or musical instrument hire amongst other things. If you would like more information regarding the Saver Plus program contact Meagan Parry at meagan.parry@thesmithfamily.com.au or call 0438 518 603.

A flyer can be found at the end of this update.

## College Cafe

The College Café, 'Fresh As' offers daily specials and hot food from \$1.00. The Café is also able to cater for all dietary requirements (pre-ordering is required). A menu can be found on the College webpage:

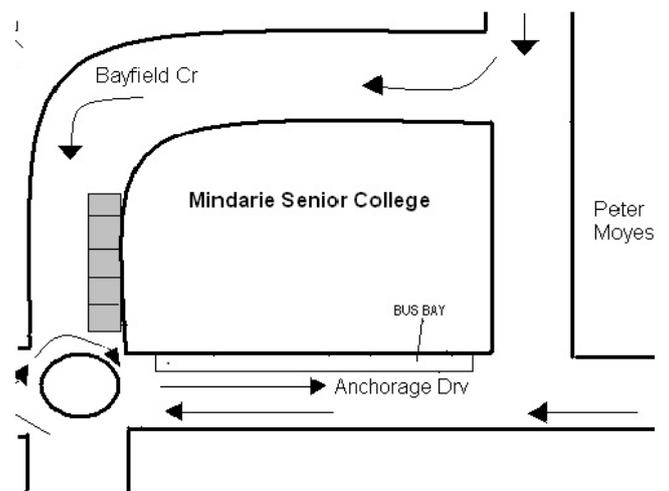
<https://www.mindarie.wa.edu.au/fresh-cafe-menu>

## 2020 Drop Off and Pick Up Procedures

Parents and guardians are reminded that they are not to use the main College car park to drop off or pick up students before or after school. There are parking bays around the College to drop or pick up students. Cars are not to park in the Bus Bay on Anchorage Drive, this is for buses only.

The College has recently installed chain gates at the staff carpark entry and exit. Parents visiting the College during the school day will need to call 6207 5500 to enter the College carpark. To exit the carpark, head west (towards the ocean) and exit through the student carpark chaingate which will drop automatically when you approach.

Students driving to school are to enter the student carpark from Bayfield Crescent only. They are not to use the staff carpark entry. Students can also park in the surrounding roads and parking lay-bys but must ensure there are no time limits on the bays.



## College Board - Annual General Meeting - Monday, 24 February

The Annual General Meeting of the Mindarie Senior College Board will be held in the College boardroom on **Monday, 24 February 2020 at 4.00pm**. Parents wishing to attend the AGM should email Julie Ayers on: [julie.ayers@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:julie.ayers@education.wa.edu.au) or call 6207 5506 by **Friday, 21 February**.

Parents or community members who would like to nominate to sit on the College Board can download a nomination form from the College webpage under 'Our College' then 'College Board'.

Nomination forms should be emailed to [julie.ayers@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:julie.ayers@education.wa.edu.au) by **Wednesday, 19 February**.

## > CHAPLAIN'S CHAT

Welcome to Mindarie 2020. My name is Tamrah Bartlett and I am the College full time YouthCARE Chaplain. YouthCARE Chaplains work within the school as a caring adult and as part of a professional student services team addressing the social, emotional, physical, mental and spiritual needs in the school community by:

- building relationships with students, families, school staff and other appropriate stakeholders;
- offering pastoral care;
- being a mentor;
- providing additional practical help for teaching and school administrative staff;
- being a positive role model, and
- providing a link between schools, professional services and local communities.

I am available to all students, school staff and parents within our school community. Please feel free to contact me on 6207 5525 or email on [Tamrah.Bartlett@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Tamrah.Bartlett@education.wa.edu.au) if you would like assistance in any way, whether it is regarding a need around your child or an issue where you may need temporary support with food, shelter or safety. All contact is confidential so please let me know how I can assist.

### YouthCARE have now partnered with Foodbank!!

This enables Chaplains and schools to refer needy families or families in need to a Foodbank Service Centre which enables families to purchase food at a low cost for three months.

If you think this service would benefit you and your family, please contact our Chaplain, Tamrah Bartlett who will be able to discuss the service with you and identify if you would be eligible by emailing: [Tamrah.Bartlett@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:Tamrah.Bartlett@education.wa.edu.au)



## YEAR 11 & 12 ATAR PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

**Thursday, 13 February - 6.00pm until 7.30pm**  
**Mindarie Senior College, 14 Elliston Parade**  
**Please register via Eventbrite by 6pm, Tues 11 Feb**  
Contact the College if you did not receive an email regarding this event

All parents of ATAR students have been invited to attend this information evening which is designed to help understand the processes and pathways to University. The evening will cover ATAR Calculations, WACE Requirements and information about university entrance. There will also be a presentation by Elevate Education with information on how to help your child through senior schooling. You are welcome to bring your son/daughter with you if you wish, however they will get the same information throughout the year.



Please contact the College on 6207 5500

### **Student Interim Report Parent Evening** **Wednesday, 18 March 2.00pm to 7.00pm**

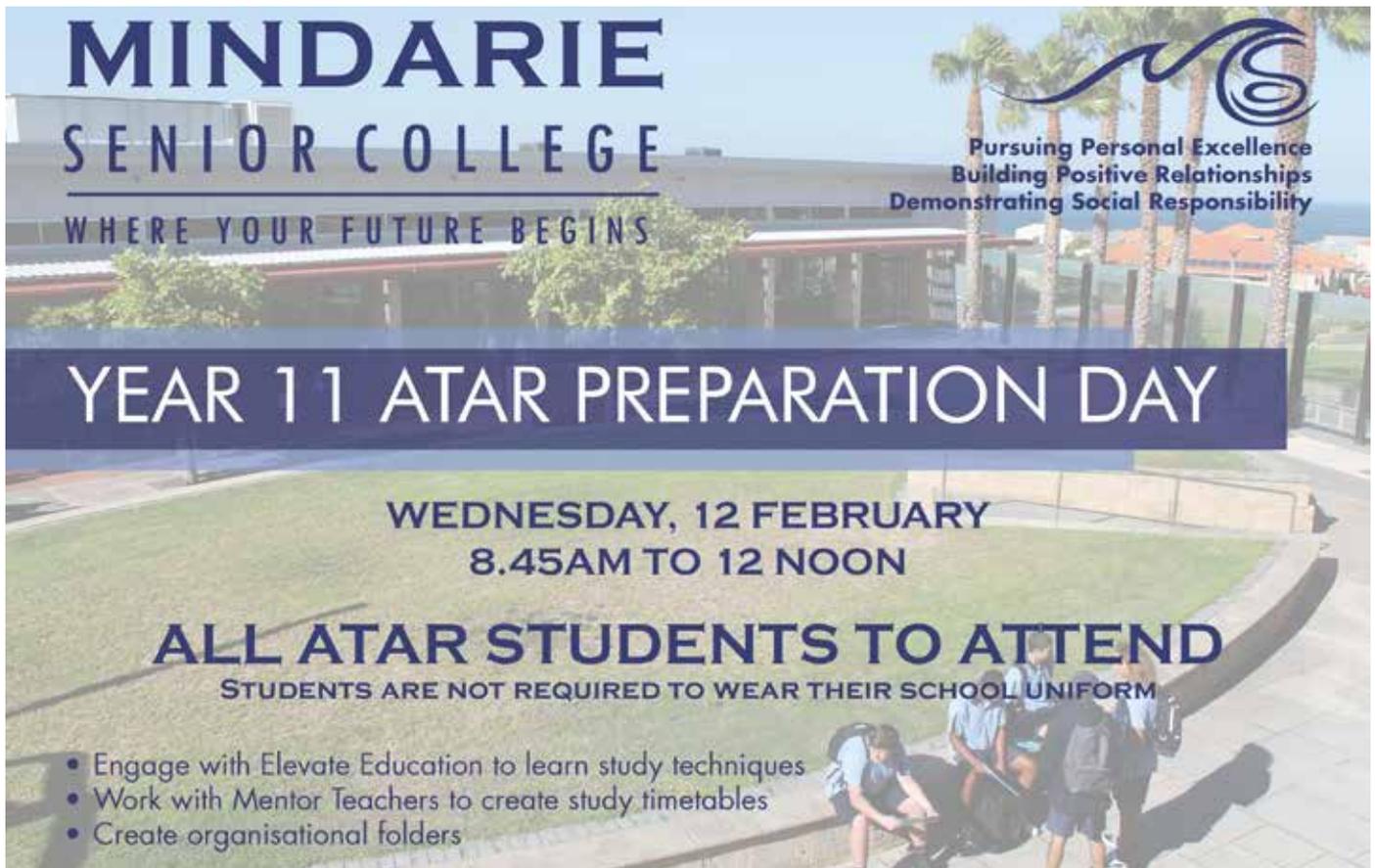
Interim Reports will be emailed home the week commencing 9 March prior to the Parent Evening.  
Further information regarding the event will be emailed home closer to the evening.

### **Careers Expo** **Wednesday, 18 March @ 3.00pm to 6.00pm**

Parents and students will have the opportunity to gain important information about career decisions at our 'Explore Careers Expo'. This is a fantastic opportunity to speak to the experts and to gain information for future career planning.



## > YEAR 11 INFORMATION



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Pursuing Personal Excellence  
Building Positive Relationships  
Demonstrating Social Responsibility

# YEAR 11 ATAR PREPARATION DAY

WEDNESDAY, 12 FEBRUARY  
8.45AM TO 12 NOON

## ALL ATAR STUDENTS TO ATTEND

STUDENTS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO WEAR THEIR SCHOOL UNIFORM

- Engage with Elevate Education to learn study techniques
- Work with Mentor Teachers to create study timetables
- Create organisational folders

### **Meet the Mentor Evenings (for parents of new Year 11 students)**

The College will hold two Meet the Mentor evenings for Year 11 parents during Week 4.

- > **Tuesday, 25 February - Year 11 ATAR Mentors**
- Thursday, 27 February - Year 11 General Mentors**

The objective of the evening is to give parents an understanding of the expectations required to achieve success in senior school and how parents and caregivers can best support their sons and daughters. It is also an opportunity to meet your child's Mentor teacher.

A letter will be emailed to you with the details of which night you are to attend.

## **Year 11s - Save the Date!!!**

**AQWA Dinner Dance  
Hillarys**

**Wednesday, 8 April  
6.30pm to 10.00pm**

(More info to come closer to the event)



## > YEAR 12 INFORMATION



### **SAVE THE DATE**

#### **2020 Year 12 College Ball**

Friday, 12 June, 2020

Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre



### **2020 Year 12 Leavers**

Students who have not yet ordered their Leavers Jumper can do so until Tuesday, 18 February 2020.  
Please note - Jumpers may take up to 10 weeks to be delivered.

The cost for the jumper is \$84.00.

Please visit the College webpage for ordering information:  
<https://www.mindarie.wa.edu.au/2020-year-12-leavers-jumpers>

## > YEAR 11 AND 12 INFORMATION

### **VALENTINE'S DAY COOKIES**

Valentine's day cookies will be available to order from the Café for that someone special.  
The cookies will be delivered to students next Friday, 14 February  
with or without a message or anonymously (if preferred)  
Details in Daily Notices next week.



## **MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE HELP AVAILABLE EVERY WEDNESDAY!!!**

Check with your teacher for more information.  
For all General and ATAR Course work.



This is the perfect opportunity to seek extra help early in the Semester!!!

If you are unable to make the Wednesday help sessions,  
speak to your Course teacher, as other times may be available.

## 2019 HONOUR BOARD AWARD WINNERS

The Year 11 Honour Boards acknowledges the highest achieving student across a particular Learning Area. Students are selected based on performance and achievement in each Learning Area. Each student receives a certificate, pen and \$150 credit for College charges. Their name will also be displayed on the respective Honour Board outside each Learning Area.

Students were acknowledge for their achievement at the first Year 12 assembly for 2020 in front of students, staff and family members.



**ARTS**  
**ISLA BRAZIER**



**HUMANITIES**  
**PARIS WONG**



**HEALTH & PHYS ED**  
**LUKE REILLY**



**SCIENCES**  
**IZZAH ZULKERMAIN**



**TECHNOLOGY & ENTERPRISE**  
**KIRSTY WESTIN**



**VET**  
**LUKE RICHARDS**



## > 2019 COURSE AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to the students listed below who received a 2019 Semester 2 Course Award which is given to students with the highest result in Semester 2 for that course.

### COURSE AWARD RECIPIENTS - Year 11, Semester 2, 2019

Kayla Bennett	Materials, Design and Technology: Textiles General, Visual Arts ATAR
Alex Bentley	Certificate II in Creative Industries
Natasha Burstein	Literature ATAR
Ciara Carroll	Integrated Science ATAR
Meg Castle	Geography ATAR
Katie Clune	Health Studies General
Garang Deng	English Foundation
Amber Down	Human Biology General , Ancient History General
Ryan Drummond	Mathematics Essentials General
Chloe Duncan	Children, Family and Community: Living Independently General
Marcus Fletcher-Davey	Computer Science ATAR
Katie Graham	Economics ATAR
Jess Jarvis	Mathematics Foundation
Jasmin Keane	Drama ATAR
Daniel Long	Materials, Design and Technology: Wood General, Music General
Mitch Main	Media Production and Analysis General
Aoife McGonagle	Media Production and Analysis ATAR
Emma McMurdo	Food Science and Technology General, Accounting and Finance General
Kaitlin Mitchell	Drama General
Maisie Moore	Business Management and Enterprise General
Ayden O'Flaherty	Integrated Science General
Emily Parry	Dance ATAR
Xzyluz Quiem	Workplace Learning
Luke Reilly	Health Studies ATAR, Physical Education Studies ATAR and General
Sarah Richards	Outdoor Education General
Fira Shafira	Certificate III in Visual Arts
Rainer Shaw	Geography General
Brianna Steven	Mathematics Applications ATAR, Accounting and Finance ATAR
Faye Stott	Dance General
Lara Tashkandy	Biology ATAR, Human Biology ATAR
Sian Turbutt	Mathematics Methods ATAR
Kirsty Westin	Food Science and Technology ATAR, CFC: Caring for Others General
Amarina Wodzianski	English General
Paris Wong	Psychology ATAR, Modern History ATAR, Politics & Law ATAR, English ATAR, Photography General
Izzah Zulkernain	Mathematics Specialist ATAR, Chemistry ATAR, Physics ATAR, Design: Technical Graphics General

#### PLEASE VISIT

<http://www.mindarie.wa.edu.au/calendar>

#### TO SEE A FULL LIST OF 2020 CALENDAR EVENTS

Please visit our College Webpage and Facebook page to see photos from events.

Be sure to **'Follow'** our Facebook page to be updated when new posts are made.

<https://www.facebook.com/MindarieSeniorCollege?fref=ts>

or alternatively you can visit the website

<http://www.mindarie.wa.edu.au/>



**Janice Sander**  
Principal

## > 2020 - TERM 1 IMPORTANT DATES

Term 1 2020	Year	Event
Thursday, 13 February	11 & 12	Understanding WACE, Uni with Elevate for Parents @ 6pm
Tuesday, 18 February	12	Colours Night @ 6pm (Invite only)
Monday, 24 February		College Board - Annual General Meeting @ 4pm
Tuesday, 25 February	11	Year 11 ATAR - Meet the Mentor Night @ 6pm
Thursday, 27 February	11	Year 11 General - Meet the Mentor Night @ 6pm
Monday, 2 March		Public Holiday - Labour Day
Wednesday, 4 March	11 & 12	Workplace Learning Commences
Friday, 6 March		Information Update #2
Wednesday, 18 March		Careers Expo - 3pm to 6.00pm
Wednesday, 18 March		Interim Report Night - 2pm to 7pm - College closed to students
Monday, 30 March		College Board Meeting @ 4pm (if required)
Wednesday, 1 April		All Staff WPL Visits - College closed to students
Wednesday, 8 April	11	AQUA Dinner Dance Hillarys - 6.30 to 10.30pm
Thursday, 9 April	11 & 12	Last day of Term 1 - PL Day - College closed to students
Friday, 12 April		Public Holiday - Good Friday

## > CAREERS INFORMATION

### WORKPLACE LEARNING IN 2020

Workplace Learning commences on Wednesday, 4 March (week 5) 2020. Students will be given information relating to their work placement during the first few weeks of Term 1. There will be a half day compulsory induction program for students new to Workplace Learning and this will occur on Wednesday, 26 February 2020. More information relating to this will be given to students in the second week of Term 1.

### SAFETY AWARENESS TRAINING (WHITECARD)

Students completing Workplace Learning in the Building and Construction and associated industries will be required to gain the 'White Card' (Safety Awareness Training) prior to their work placement commencing on Wednesday, 4 March. The College will provide a workshop (date TBC) for students to complete this unit. The parents of students who require the 'White Card' will be sent an email explaining the process.

### EXTERNAL VET COURSE IN 2020

Students who have been accepted into an External VET (Certificate) course in 2020 should have received a course outline from the Training Provider delivering the VET program. Not all Training Providers follow the same process and therefore if students do not receive the program information, it will be given to them at the College. The majority of external courses will commence in the second week of Term 1 and Mrs Tracey Loughnan will meet with all of the External VET students concerned to ensure they have all the required information.

### CAREER DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES TO ASSIST STUDENTS WITH POST SCHOOL OPTIONS

Click on the 'Explore Careers' icon on the MSC website homepage & then connect to a range of career resources, with links to Universities, TAFE's, Apprenticeships & Traineeships.

<http://www.mindarie.wa.edu.au/explore-careers>



*Tracey Loughnan*  
*Manager of Career Development, VET and Workplace Learning*



## Could \$500 help you with high-school costs?

Join Saver Plus and we'll match your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500 for school costs.

-  laptops & tablets
-  specialist subjects
-  uniforms & shoes
-  books & supplies
-  sports fees & gear
-  camps & excursions

To join Saver Plus, you must be at least 18 years or over, have a child at school or attend vocational education yourself, have regular income from paid employment (you or your partner), have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card and be in receipt of an eligible Commonwealth social security benefit, allowance or payment\*



\* many Centrelink payments are eligible, please contact your local Coordinator for more information.

Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ, delivered in partnership with Berry Street, The Benevolent Society and The Smith Family and other local community agencies. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services. Go to [www.dss.gov.au](http://www.dss.gov.au) for more information.

Contact  
your local Saver Plus  
Coordinator

Phone or SMS  
your name and postcode to  
1300 610 355

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