



## Careers Centre Newsletter Term 2 2010

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Dear Parents/Caregivers

We have a busy term ahead with a number of in school seminars and outside events to attend. Today, I am finalising our arrangements for the Year 12 trip to Canterbury and Lincoln Universities and our trip for Year 13 students to the University of Otago's Open Day on May 3 has been organised.

This is the term I concentrate on Year 12. All Year 12 form classes spend time with me in the computer room and will have the opportunity to explore a number of career guidance programs and internet sites. During these sessions I will also encourage students to make individual appointments. Form Teachers will be looking at a programme called Career Stories with their classes. These stories focus on how young people have made their career decisions. They can also be watched on [www.careers.govt.nz](http://www.careers.govt.nz) As mentioned, students are visiting our local universities and later in the term all Year 12 students will be taken to the Careers Expo, held at the Westpac Stadium. A letter will be sent home with the details about the Expo visit. Some Year 12 students will take part in Work Choice Day, on May 18. On this day we go to the Christchurch School of Medicine to look at careers in the health area. C.P.I.T. has its Have a Go Day in June and interested Year 12 students will be able to participate. Mr Sloan, our Employment Skills teacher, also takes one session with all Year 12 classes this term, to cover application forms, C.V.s and interview skills. Next term I will be working with Year 11. I also continue to work with a number of our Year 9 and 10 classes this term.



Term 1 – Year 10 students visit to the Inzone Careers Bus

In my first letter for 2010 I said I would always include three web sites I find useful. Here are three I have used recently with students.

[www.careers.govt.nz](http://www.careers.govt.nz) > get job info > job market > jobs in skill shortage

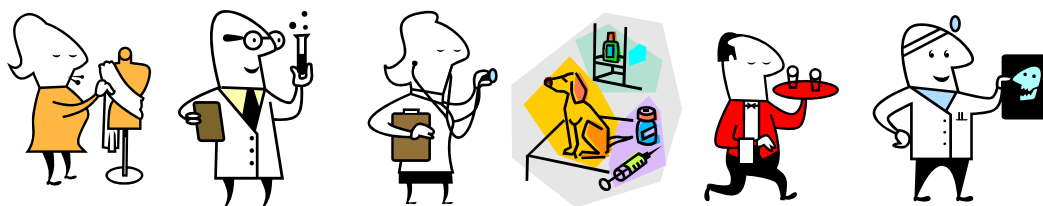
[www.healthcareers.org.nz](http://www.healthcareers.org.nz)

[www.modern-apprenticeships.govt.nz](http://www.modern-apprenticeships.govt.nz)

Ms Dowman, our assistant, keeps the Careers Centre open during the second half of interval and all of lunchtime, so all students are easily able to make appointments to talk with careers staff. Please encourage your sons and daughters to make good use of the services and programmes we offer.

Judy Novis  
Careers Adviser

These are the seminars that I have arranged so far. There are also some outside events you may wish to attend.



Date	Time	Seminar / Event	Level invited
April 22	1:15pm	Lincoln University <a href="http://www.lincoln.ac.nz">www.lincoln.ac.nz</a>	12/13
April 23	full day	Discovery Day – visit to Lincoln and Canterbury Universities	12
May 3	full day	University of Otago Open Day <a href="http://www.otago.ac.nz">www.otago.ac.nz</a>	13
May 4	1:15pm	RNZAF - Air Force <a href="http://www.airforce.mil.nz">www.airforce.mil.nz</a>	11/12/13
May 6	1:15pm	NZ Navy	11/12/13
<b>May 9,10,11</b>	<b>3 days</b>	<b>Careers Expo –Westpac Stadium - free entry</b> <b>Sunday – 12 – 4pm</b> <b>Monday – 4 – 7pm</b>	<b>Students and parents</b>
May 10	9:30am	Careers Expo – Westpac Stadium	All Year 12 students
May 18	morning	Work Choice Day – Careers in Health	12
May 20	11:20am	Agriculture I.T.O. <a href="http://www.agricultureito.ac.nz">www.agricultureito.ac.nz</a>	11/12/13
May 24	1:15pm	Massey University <a href="http://www.massey.ac.nz">www.massey.ac.nz</a>	12/13
May 30	7pm	C.P.I.T. Certificate in Hospitality – Visions Restaurant, City Campus	students/parents
May 31	1:15pm	NZ Army <a href="http://www.army.mil.nz">www.army.mil.nz</a>	11/12/13
June 3	6:30 – 8:30pm	University of Otago Information Evening Chateau on the Park	students/parents
June 11	11:20	Natcoll <a href="http://www.natcoll.ac.nz">www.natcoll.ac.nz</a>	11/12/13
June 11	1-3pm	Otago Law Seminar	12/13
June 15	1:15pm	C.P.I.T. – Christchurch Polytechnic <a href="http://www.cpit.ac.nz">www.cpit.ac.nz</a>	11/12/13
June 18	full day	C.P.I.T. Have a Go Day	12
July 6/7		University of Canterbury Open Days	students/parents
July 14		Lincoln University Open Day	students/parents
July 14	7:30pm	C.P.I.T. – Broadcasting – TV Block, crn. Madras and Southwark Streets	students/parents
July 26	8:45am	StudyLink – student loans and allowances <a href="http://www.studylink.govt.nz">www.studylink.govt.nz</a>	12/13
August 4		Massey – Palmerston North Open day	students/parents
August 27		Study at Vic – Open day – Victoria University	students/parents
August 28		Courses and Careers Day – Auckland University	students/parents

## EMPLOYMENT SKILLS from Mr Sloan

A number of students have taken the opportunity to complete Work Experience placements with a variety of firms around the city. Placements have ranged from veterinary clinics to automotive mechanics. The students have commonly, invested three days and have gained skills and knowledge about the specific career but they have also gained a more informed idea about whether they want to pursue that career path or not. A Work Experience report is completed by the employer and this can be a useful document when applying for courses or job vacancies.

If you are an employer who could offer Work Experience to a student, please contact me via email. We always appreciate a wide range of opportunities for our students. A similar number have taken advantage of the STAR courses which are offered free to Year 11 to 13 students. These four day, career focused and hands on courses offer another way to get career knowledge and skills. Our students have been to a wide range of courses, from barista to armed services. A certificate of attendance is gained plus Credits towards NCEA if the Unit Standards are achieved.

Both of these options give students the chance to learn in a different environment mixing with students from other schools or with full time employees.

Anyone interested in being involved with either Work Experience or STAR courses should ask for more information at the Careers Centre.

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## *Gateway- a pathway to careers for young people*



### Gateway Students and their Employers

Student	Employer	Area of Interest
Madina Ayubi	Colombo Street National Bank	Banking
Jodie Barsby	Willowbank Wildlife Reserve	Animal Care
Nathan Brown	Plains FM	Media
Shannon Fitzgeorge	National Trade Academy	Farming
Amy Jory	Rose Court Resthome	Nursing
Varian Kerr	Radio Volcano	Media
Joo Yuen Kim	ABC Aidanfield	Education
Sam Krishnamurti	Cashmere Club	Hospitality
Zane McMillan	Shivas Plumbing	Plumbing
Tori Miles	Lytelton Kindergarten	Education
Georgia Newman	Akaroa Bakery & Café	Hospitality
Nikita Ray	Linwood Kindergarten	Education
Laura Richardson	Montessori Courtyard Pre School	Education
Jade Scarrott	Natural Hair and Beauty	Hairdressing
Hamish Schreurs	The Heritage Hotel	Hospitality
Monique Spale	Taffs Grooming	Animal Care
Donne Threadwell	James Lee Design	Automotive
Jonathan Whitefield	Quinton Engineering	Engineering
Charlotte Wilkins	Phoenix Architects	Interior Design

Term one has been very busy with new motivated students being selected for Gateway, forming their Individual Learning Plans and beginning their placements. Interest for places on the Gateway programme has again been high and this year 18 of the 25 places have already been filled.

Students have been busy in their workplaces learning new skills, and gaining knowledge of the requirements and expectations of their chosen careers. Many students have already successfully completed units and have gained credits towards a range of nationally recognised qualifications and are collecting evidence towards other units as they work.

It is fantastic that so many of the employers who were part of the Gateway programme previously, are supporting our students and have students placed at their businesses again in 2010. The Gateway programme could not exist if wasn't for the support we receive from these employers and we are very grateful for their ongoing commitment.

Gateway students are involved in exciting careers including: Early Childhood Education, Hospitality, Plumbing, Engineering, Farming, Automotive Engineering, Banking Hairdressing, Animal Care and Media

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## ***BUSY START TO THE GATEWAY YEAR***

Madina Ayubi  
National Bank

