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## Northern Adelaide State Secondary Schools' Alliance Pathways Newsletter

### TERM 2, ISSUE 3

- Craigmores High School • Gawler & District College B-12
  - Karna Plains School • Mark Oliphant College
- Northern Adelaide Senior College • Parafield Gardens High School
  - Para Hills High School • Paralowie R-12 School
- Playford International College • Salisbury East High School
  - Salisbury High School

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**22/6** Northern Business Breakfast & NASSSA Publicity Display, 7-8.30am, Grand Central

**22/6** Trainers commence reports in WebVET

**22/6** VET Leader meeting Playford International College 9.30am-1pm

**23/6** NASSSA Media Trainer Hub Group, PGHS 10.30-12pm

**24/6** NASSSA Uni Pathways meeting PHHS 9-10.30am

**29/6** NASSSA Principals Forum, Boardroom, EDC, 9-3.30pm

**29/6** Trainers complete reports by COB

**1/7** Final day for RTO MOU & 2017 Course Proforma to get to Heather Bitter

**6/7** NASSSA WebVET Reports released for print

**6/7** NASSSA YAT Student-Led Conference, Playford Civic Centre, Elizabeth

**6/7** 3.45 for 4pm till 6pm University Information Session for NASSSA Teachers, Lecture Theatre, Elizabeth TAFE (book through Eventbrite)



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The new NASSSA website is now 'live' at [www.nasssa.com.au](http://www.nasssa.com.au)

## Learning

### Hawker Brownlow

Thanks to the RTOs who sent staff to the Conference in May. Accolades to TAFE sending 6 staff! We hope the learning transfers to training with NASSSA students!

BETTER POLICIES FOR BETTER LIVES

### Engaging Employers in Skills Development for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

Around 10 NASSSA staff attended a special-invite event. An insightful summary by Wendy Perry of Workforce Blueprint can be found [here](#).



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### NASSSA Venture Dorm 2016 - An Entrepreneurial Extravaganza



NEW VENTURE INSTITUTE



Flinders UNIVERSITY



CITY OF Salisbury

During term 3, 10 teams from the NASSSA schools will participate in the first "NASSSA Venture Dorm". This is a program owned and delivered by the New Venture Institute of Flinders University. Students will develop an idea learning entrepreneurial principles along the way. A final "Pitch event" will be held at the Shedley Theatre, Elizabeth on Wednesday 28th September at 7pm. We thank the City of Salisbury for their support of this program.

Please support the student participants in this program!



### Opportunity for Year 10 Indigenous Students interested in STEM

Applications for the 2016/17 Aboriginal Summer School(s) for Excellence in Technology and Science (ASSETS) opened on 13 June 2016.

ASSETS is a nine day summer school held in January in Adelaide. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander year 10 students who are interested in entering careers in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) and studying STEM subjects at school are encouraged to apply. Apply [HERE](#).



## AUSTRALIA'S SCIENCE CHANNEL

RI AUS Teacher resources, events & more

Subscribe to the newsletter [here](#).

Latest issue contains:

- [Ask Brian Cox Competition](#) - In celebration of **Professor Brian Cox - A Journey into Deep Space tour**, Australia's Science Channel and Lateral Events are giving 6 students around Australia the chance to meet Brian Cox in person and have their question answered.
- [Ultimate Science Guide](#) survey competition
- [STEM, STEAM, STREAM...](#) what's going on with these acronyms?

### Critical Thinking Exercises That Will Blow Your Students' Minds

"Critical Thinking is reasonable reflective thinking focused on deciding

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thinker will ask, "Is that really true? How do you know? Show me the evidence. Is that evidence reliable?"

A free Critical Thinking Workbook is available [here](#).



#### Webpages FYI...

A "Learning Potential" app has been released by the Government. You can decide on it's use by looking [HERE](#).



**StudentsFirst** The

Students First webpage can be viewed [HERE](#).



#### POWTOON...Try this easy tool!

Helping your audience to be more engaged... Click [HERE](#) to see how! This can also be a great "Flipped Classroom" tool.



#### Media student opportunity!

Opportunity for Digital Media students or science/HASS classes. Create a compelling 2-3 minute video clip that profiles the benefits that the resources sector (mining and energy or either specifically) bring to society. They encourage animations too! There are lots of themes to consider, and the judges will be looking for originality and a fresh approach. Go to <http://dirttv.com.au/how-to-enter> to get details and enter!

## START SMART

CommonwealthBank 

Start Smart Secondary

## Be confident with cash!

The Start Smart Secondary program offers a suite of workshops developed for students in Years 7 -11. The Secondary program is an interactive learning experience that is designed to engage students and empower them to make confident financial choices. To maximise the impact and reach of the program in your area, our workshops can be delivered to whole cohorts of between 50 - 200 students. Each of our workshops can run between 40 - 60 minutes.

Go to <http://startsmart.com.au/Secondary/program-overview/> for more information and to register!

## University



#### NASSSA University Pathways Group, Teacher Information Session

The three major Universities got together and have collaborated to plan a seminar for NASSSA Year 10-12 teachers who support students in their decision making. This will include discussion around ATAR versus subject requirements in courses. There will also be a 'panel' session including reps from Flinders, UniSA & Adelaide, plus a rep from TAFE to respond to any VET to Uni questions.

It will be on Wednesday July 6th 3.45 for 4 till 6pm Lecture Theatre, TAFE

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### Schools Professional Development Day

Flinders holds an annual professional development day for school career counsellors and other schools leaders wanting to find out more about Flinders and what is on offer. Teachers can register for the event by emailing [success@flinders.edu.au](mailto:success@flinders.edu.au) or calling 8201 5322. The event is on Friday June 24th (it is not too late to book in!). View the [full program](#).



### UniSA Update

The attached newsletter contains information on:

1. UniSA New in 2017 programs
2. UniSA Open Day
3. Celebrating 25 years of Success and Achievement
4. WIN [A 'Day in the Life' of a UniSA Graduate](#)



### Scholarship Recipient

The UniSA 25<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary Outstanding Achievement Scholarships were offered to South Australian students who obtained an ATAR of 99.95 (excluding bonus points) or IB equivalent. The scholarships are *valued at \$10,000 per annum for each full-time year of study, up to a maximum of \$40,000.*

Congratulations to Adrienne Duran (ex Salisbury East High School) who is studying the Bachelor of Medical Radiation Science – Medical Imaging this year.

## Careers



**Will a robot take your job?** Check out this webpage ([HERE](#)) for yourself! This could also be a good quick tool, for students to consider future potential opportunities. It could be a great conversation starter too! Hmm...what about a robot/electronics engineer...or a Secondary Teacher!

### CareerMe

CareerMe is a free app for all Apple and Android smartphones and tablets to help young people plan career paths and find job opportunities. It is Australian & has a wide range of information and links.

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#### AAP App and Australian Apprenticeship Ambassadors

To book an Australian Apprentice Ambassador to speak to students, click [HERE](#).

The 'AusAppPathways' app, helps students and jobseekers explore Australian Apprenticeships career pathway ideas on their smartphone or tablet. The app is available to download for free from [Google Play](#) or the [App Store](#).



## AUSTRALIA'S SCIENCE CHANNEL

If you have iTunes U check out the Australia's Science Channel page. You'll find STEM career teacher notes & career videos.



#### 2016 Seminar in Adelaide

Companies were asked..."What are the first 10 reasons why someone would want to work for your business?"

This has evolved to connect schools and students to leading companies. Check out their company connections [HERE](#). This is for Career Advisors only – no students will attend. There is no cost to you and it will be fully catered. It will run from 10.30am to 3.00pm on Wednesday 24 August and the venue is Adelaide Festival Centre. Click [HERE](#) to book.

The objective is to give the Career Advisor quality time one on one with company representatives to discuss whatever you would like to address. The Career Advisor will also be able to learn from them what they are looking for when employing staff and trainees and the processes they use. It is also an extremely good way to create their own personal contacts with industry representatives which could be very helpful going forward.



#### Transition resources for parents, teachers & administrators

Click [HERE](#) for resources around transitions to middle school, senior school and post-school.



#### 2016 Seminar in Adelaide

Date : 3/08/2016

Time : 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Location : Mercure Grosvenor Hotel,  
125 North Terrace, Adelaide SA 5000

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apply for a job. These expectations are classified as values, behaviours and skills.

It also summarises the views of business about the responsibilities different groups – business, education system, family, government or individuals – have for developing work readiness.

Click [HERE](#) to download



#### Did You Know 2016

Interesting facts about Digital World and Information Technology (IT) evolution and the changes in society.

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#### Future Proofing Careers

44% of Australian jobs (5.1 million current jobs) are at risk from digital disruption in the next 20 years, and 75% of Australia's fastest growing occupations require STEM Skills - Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths. Yet digitalisation is not the only thing affecting the change in tomorrow's job market. As these technological, generational, educational, and demographic shifts redefine job demands, it's more important than ever before for individuals to be innovative, collaborative, proactive, and responsive to ensure they remain future-proofed for tomorrow's workforce.

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#### Latest Newsletter

Newsletter includes:

1. "The Conversation" and the Election
2. Have you visited the [myfuture](#) website lately? (including Entrepreneurship Quiz)
3. Upcoming conferences

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## Vocational Education & Training



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#### DECD Screening Tool

To work in DECD, including those who deliver training, staff must have a current relevant history screening clearance.

DECD has developed a 'screening tool', so potential candidates know what evidence they are required to present.

This tool is available at

<https://www.decd.sa.gov.au/working-decd/relevant-history-screening/screening-tool>



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High quality training videos for Community and Aged Services, Business and Industry are also available [HERE](#)



Australian  
Industry and  
Skills Committee

#### Australian Industry and Skills Committee

The Australian Industry and Skills Committee (AISC) consists of industry leaders from across Australia to provide leadership to the Vocational Education and Training (VET) sector, ensuring that directions taken by Ministers are informed by an industry perspective focused on the quality and relevance of the national training system. The website can be found [HERE](#).

There are now 8 Industry Reference Committees (IRC's) which can be found [HERE](#).



#### VET Network National Conference

Vocational Education and Training: Leading and driving change. The Conference, to be held at the Gold Coast Convention Centre from Wednesday July 27<sup>th</sup> to Thursday July 28<sup>th</sup> 2016, provides an opportunity for VET practitioners from senior secondary schools and colleges, career and enterprise educators, training organisations, university academics, researchers, policy developers, consultants and industry to network, learn, interact and engage. Click [HERE](#) for more information.



#### VET Conference, Celebrating VET

The 2016 National VET Conference will be delivered over two days on the 15-16 September at the Gold Coast Convention & Exhibition Centre through an exciting range of presentations, providing attendees the opportunity to engage in a wide variety of plenary and elective sessions. [Additional pre-conference Master Classes](#) will be introduced in 2016 and these will be held on 14 September 2016.

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#### Food for Thought...Engaging Students at Risk of Not Successfully Completing

Data from the 2015 global 'Program for International Student Assessment' (PISA) found that students who received positive feedback and self-belief from their teachers performed 68.2% better than students who had limited interactions with their teachers. Another study showed learner engagement was most successful when students were in an environment where they were frequently interacting and sharing what

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at a conference earlier this year. Insource recommend applying a variety of assessment tools within the one course, to not only thoroughly assess how well learners have attained the relevant skills, knowledge and experience, but to increase the likelihood that all learning styles and strengths of the individual are catered for.

Click [HERE](#) for the full article



### RPL Infographic

The most effective RPL processes will make RPL easy for candidates to access and navigate, providing the candidate with sufficient, appropriate support.

Click [HERE](#) to download an Infographic.



### TAFE News

- To comment on the **TAFE SA Website** [\[HERE\]](#) via their feedback survey, Click [HERE](#)
- **Save the Date – VISA Preparedness Training 2017 Session:** TAFE SA will be conducting a Professional Development session on preparing yourself for the delivery of VET courses under a VISA Schedule for 2017. A video conference session will be conducted on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November from 2pm – 4pm
- **"Special Offer" Royal Adelaide Show** – Secondary Students only Introduction to Bread making...10 Stage 1 credits - 5 full days. Contact Amanda Malek 08 8348 4331 [amanda.malek@tafesa.edu.au](mailto:amanda.malek@tafesa.edu.au) for further details.



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