

May 7th, 2018

Dear Parents,

Term Two in Connect began with a presentation on Careers. Mr. Smith the Careers Leader explained how ESC supports students to discover future pathways that may be of interest, programs on offer to engage students in their future Career and how students can make the most of these opportunities.

All Year 9 students visited the 'Try a Trade day' at Cranbourne Racecourse in week two. This was a fabulous opportunity to 'have a go' at a variety of courses and trades including brick laying, construction, hospitality and design. Experts from a wide range of industries were there to answer student questions and all provided a range of brochures for students to collect and take home for future use. The purpose of such excursions is to get the students to think about possible future careers as well as putting them in contact with pathway providers.

In Connect this week, students will begin to work on a resume. The resume is used for Mock Interviews later this term and can be used by students when applying for a real job. Students will also be learning to write a job application letter for a mock job that they will be applying for in their mock interview.

Students need to show you their resume once completed and we hope that you sign it to indicate you have seen it or email your child's Connect teacher to confirm this. You may wish to use this opportunity to pass on some of your own job seeking experiences and advice to help encourage and support your child during this term.

The resume and job application letter together for the CAT for this term and is due by May 29th. After this date, students will be concentrating on interviews skills, presentation skills, answering interview questions, and how to remain calm and focused during an interview. All in preparation for **Mock Interviews that will take place June 19th.**

On Mock Interview Day (June 19th) students in Year 9 are only required at school for their interview. There will be NO formal classes on this day. Interview times are confirmed later this term

All Year 9 students will participate in a Mock Interview. This is a valuable learning experience and although some will be nervous about this, it remains one of the highlights of schooling at ESC as indicated from student feedback. All students are guided before and during the interview. We work hard to ensure the interview process is positive and encouraging. Students will be interviewed by a panel of three people consisting of Community members and College staff, who will provide general feedback to students after their interview.

Students absent on the day of Mock Interviews will have their interview rescheduled to another date. Completing a Mock Interview is a prerequisite for City Experience in Term 3.

In the last week of term, students will be attending a Workplace visit. Further details will be provided to students during the term.

Finally, if you would like to be on an interview panel for our Mock Interviews on June 19th, please email me on Mosca.franca.f@edumail.vic.gov.au I would love to hear from you! You can be involved for half a day or all day if that suits. Lunch is provided.

Please contact me if you have any questions on the email above.



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