

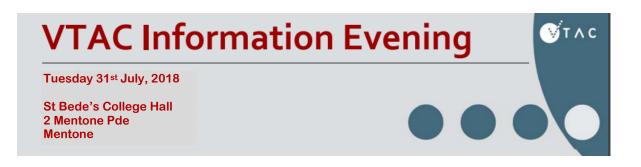
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Dear Parents & Students,

In order to support students with their post Year 12 options, St Bede's College, in collaboration with Kilbreda College, is offering the following <u>very important and informative evening to parents and students in Year 12</u>.



The VTAC Parent and Student Information Session will be presented by Ms Suzanne Connelly, the Deputy Director of Publications and Information Services for VTAC. It will be held in the St Bede's College Hall on Tuesday, 31 July commencing at 7:00pm. The evening will conclude by 8:00pm.

- Confused about the VTAC process?
- Like to know more about the ATAR and how it is used?
- Like to provide the right advice to your children in Year 12?

Topics will include:

- Explanations of how the ATAR is used, preferences and offers
- How to list your preferences
- Options for tertiary study
- Meeting course requirements and prerequisites
- The application process
- How courses select applicants
- Scholarship opportunities
- SEAS applications
- Questions and Answers

VTAC (Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre) is the organisation responsible for the <u>administration of the</u> <u>selection process</u> for all University and TAFE courses on behalf of Victorian Universities, TAFE Institutes and



private providers. Very practical advice and assistance will be offered to students and parents to help guide them through the maze of the VTAC application process.

If you would like to provide the right advice to your children in Year 12, it is highly recommended that you attend this session with your son.

NEW VTAC PUBLICATION

VTAC have produced an excellent resource for students and parents titled, <u>VTAC Year 11 and 12 Guide</u>. It contains the following information. (Your sons will receive a hard copy of this publication upon delivery.)

- Open Days
- Creating VTAC course applications
- Course research tool kit
- How to list your preferences
- How to use CourseSearch
- Eligibility and prerequisites
- Tertiary costs
- How to list your preferences
- Applying for special consideration (SEAS)
- Scholarships
- Change of preference
- Offers and enrolment
- Application dates

Can I ask that you pay particular attention to the SEAS information on pages 44 and 46 (supplying evidence). If there have been circumstances that have made it hard for your son to do his best at study, it's worth putting in an application for special consideration via VTAC's Special Entry Access Scheme (SEAS).

Category 3: Disability or medical condition is for applicants who have experienced educational disadvantage as a result of any learning, physical, sensory or psychiatric medical condition, illness or disability. Students have to obtain supporting documentation from a medical practitioner or specialist medical practitioner and often medical appointments take time to book. Your sons may need your support to do this. Information about SEAS will also be included in the VTAC presentation on Tuesday, 31 July.

Can I also draw your attention to another great resource for you and your son, the <u>College Careers Webpage</u>. Next term, most of my time will be dedicated to interviewing Year 12 students. Interviews can be arranged by students emailing me at <u>ag@stbedes.catholic.edu.au</u>. Please feel free to contact me to clarify anything in this letter. I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, 31 July.

Yours sincerely

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