

Discover the hidden world of Note Printing Australia!

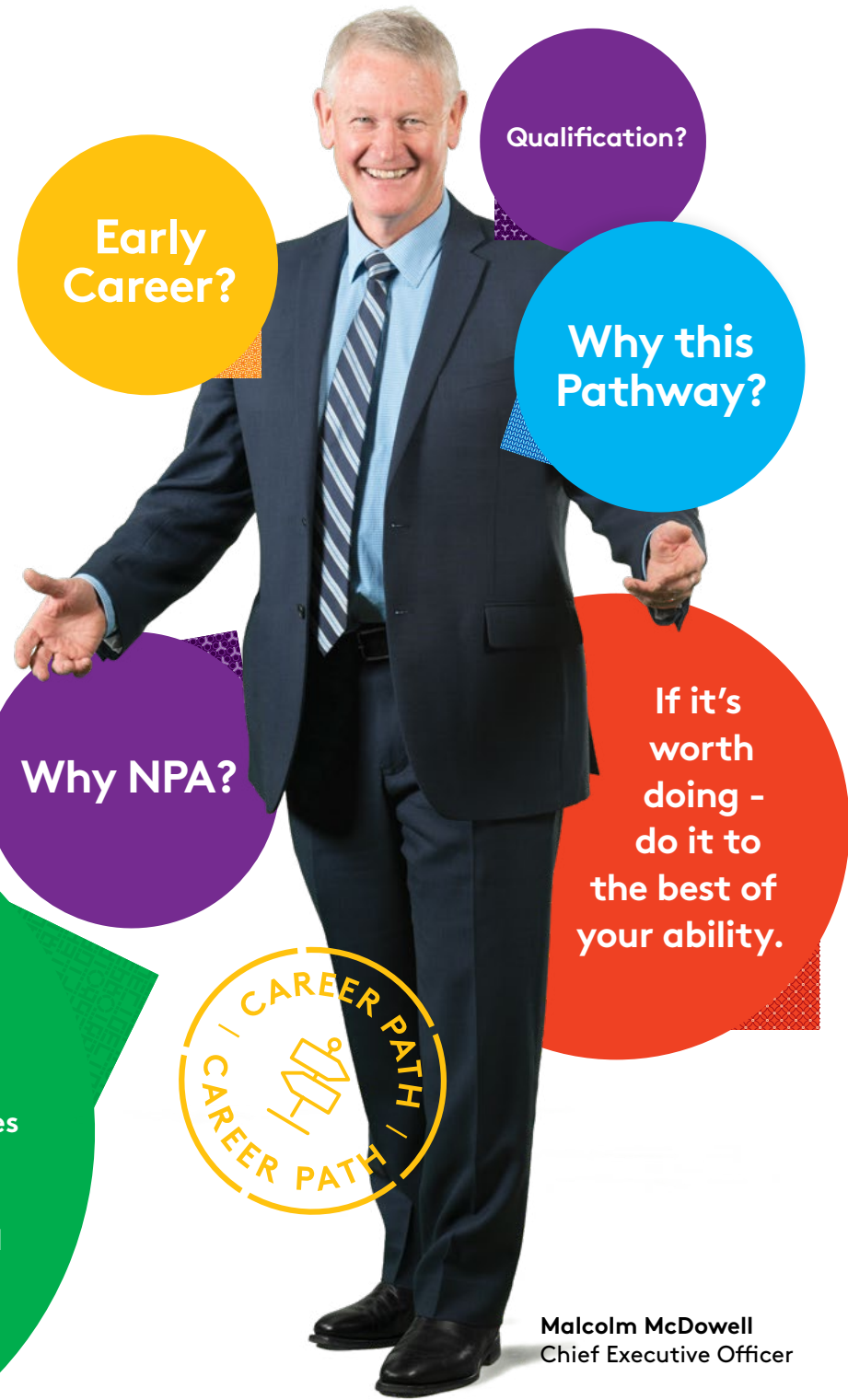


The Protectorate is one of the most secure areas you can visit in Australia, overlooking the critical business of making banknotes and passports for Australia and many other nations. It's also an area in which you can explore career pathways at Note Printing Australia and in the world of high security printing.

Students immerse themselves in four major themed areas within The Protectorate – the Design District, the Technology Sector, the Printing Realm, and the Business Zone. There are a selection of interactive activities as well as many displays that students will experience. The Protectorate is designed to educate students on NPA's history and capability and to engage them in the many exciting and challenging aspects of high security printing that goes into making a banknote or passport.

The Protectorate Passbook, manufactured by NPA's Passports team, is provided to students at the beginning of the experience and serves as a guidebook through these different areas. It also poses questions in terms of the student's own career interests and strengths.

"The Protectorate will provide students with a good look at the banknote and passport printing operations of Note Printing Australia, and will also have them explore career options and preferences as they make their way through this attraction. There are 30 career pathways that run through NPA and students can use The Protectorate Passbook as a guide."



Malcolm McDowell
Chief Executive Officer

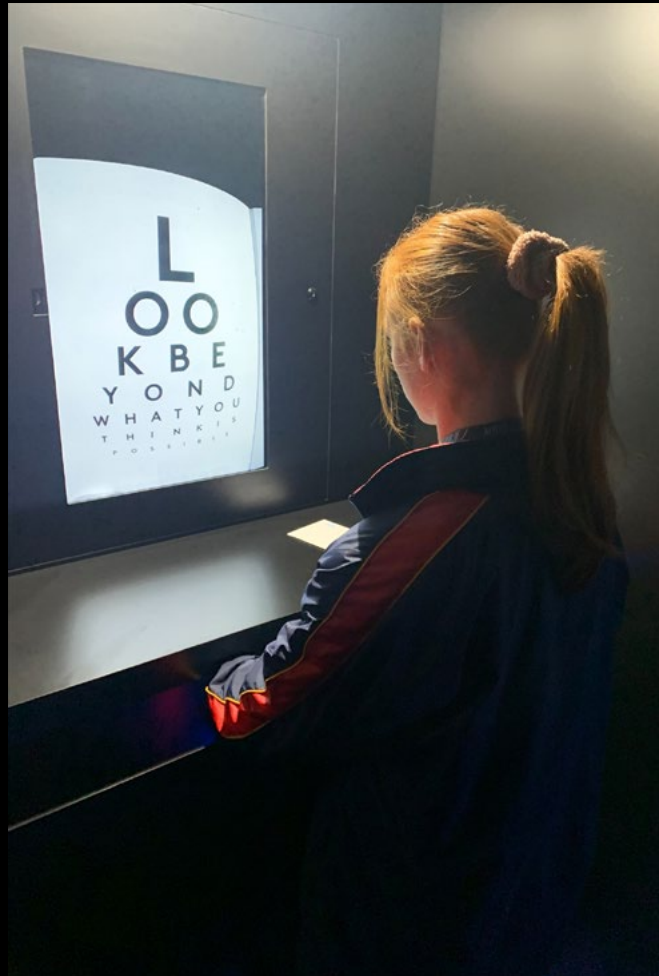
Explore a world of exciting activities and career opportunities



Banknotes Spoilage Challenge



Visitors receive a piece of coloured substrate and a set of stickers including a portrait, denomination, foil, serial number, signature block and more, and have to design their own banknote without spoiling it!



Security Feature Booth



A series of five different categories of security feature are explored in a series of booths – Ultraviolet, Optically Variable Effects, Geometric Metamerism, Lenticular and Infrared.



Phos Wall



A large wall designed as passport pages and using the backdrop of a glow wall, this display sits in a darkened area where visitors use pen lights to experience phosphorescence and its use in security features.



Puzzle Wall



The design of three different NPA House Notes are broken up into a series of magnetic tiles that need to be assembled in the correct order on a magnetic wall in order to display the whole note.





Printing Plate Display



Accompanied by a video showing NPA's intaglio and polychablon plate making process, the display allows the visitor to touch and feel the key plates in this process: Kapton, Alto, Intaglio and Polychablon.



Games Board



Made from recycled plastic which includes reprocessed polymer banknotes, visitors can challenge each other to a large-scale board game of Connect 4, Othello, and more.

For further information, school teachers or administrators with an interest in their class visiting The Protectorate should contact Note Printing Australia at:

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