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CALENDAR

Monday 13th August

Years 8,9 & 10

Course Selection distributed



Tuesday 15th August

Year 9 Parent information Evening for Year 10 (2013) Library 7pm

Wednesday 15th August

Year 11 VCAL

Parent Information Evening 7pm

Friday 17th August

Curriculum Day

Students are not required to attend school on this day.

Monday 27th August

Year 7 to 10 Interim reports & Parent Teacher Interviews Appointment Sheet Issued

School Council Meeting – 5.15pm

Thursday 30th August

Italy Tour Meeting 6pm Staffroom

Thursday 13th September

Students Dismissed at 12pm

Parent / Teacher Interviews

1pm to 5pm & 6pm to 8pm

Tuesday 18th September

Year 7 2013 Getting to Know You Evening

Friday 21st September

Last Day of Term

Students dismissed at 2.30pm

Attendance

If your child did not attend the Athletics Carnival on Tuesday 24th July, please call 9331 9639 to advise your approval of this absence.

Parents should not solely rely on text messages, if you know your child is going to be absent, please call the direct line 9331 9639, a message service is available out of school hours. The text message service was initiated as a back up service to parents.

**IT'S NOT OK
TO BE AWAY**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Year 12 Students

Today marks the end of Week 3, Term 3. It is frightful to think that our Year 12 students will have eight weeks of formal classes to go before they prepare to sit their final exams. Parents should keep in mind that we will be running practice exams in the first week of the September holidays. These exams are compulsory and they are an important tool to gauge strengths and weaknesses. Mid-year exam results come out on Monday and we wish our students well. The majority have worked hard.

Curriculum Day

On 17th August we are having a full day Curriculum day. The focus of the day will be on the use of ICT in the classroom. With the roll out of our netbook program for Year 9 and 10 students it is important that our teachers are kept up to date with the latest programs and hardware. Earlier this year I was asked by a parent just how will this technology be used with students, and I outlined that Teachers may typically design a lesson using elements of the following:

Stage 1: Present the learning goals of the lesson.

Stage 2: Deliver new knowledge to the students or students acquire new knowledge.

Stage 3: Students organise this new knowledge.

Stage 4: Students apply this new knowledge to real world situations.

Stage 5: Students review whether they have achieved the learning goals.

ICT software programs are designed to suit each of these areas. The internet is valuable for acquiring knowledge, programs such as Inspiration are wonderful tools for students to help them organise information and there are many simulation programs for real world application of knowledge or skill testing. Connecting to students for the purpose of collaborative learning is another feature of modern technology,

We will start the day looking at this Lesson outline and introduce general software related to the stages. In the afternoon teachers will have the opportunity for a more in depth study of individual programs and how to best use them in the classroom.

Japanese Visitors

Today marks the end of our visit from the students and teachers of Kogakkan High School. I would like to thank all the host families for looking after them. The teachers have once again expressed to me that they love visiting Rosehill and they all get so much out of it. There are a number of past Kogakkan students who have now taken up residency in Australia and we should be proud that we have had an influence on them in this way.

Peter Rouse
Principal

Junior School Report

Congratulations to all our students on their wonderful Semester One reports, all our students who received the highest number of High Distinctions and Distinctions were rewarded at Year Level Assemblies with certificates. We were very pleased with student effort and achievement in Years 7-9.

The Reward and Recognition Program is very important to the Junior School Team. Students are rewarded for their academic achievements and their service to the school. These certificates are handed out at Year Level Assemblies, in class and during extra curricula activities. We encourage our students to get involved in as many activities they possibly can at Rosehill to make their journey through secondary school as rewarding as possible. Students who receive five certificates can submit them to the Coordinators office for a Canteen voucher or another reward.

Some important events coming up this term are –

the distribution of course selection booklets 7-9

Year 9 into 10 Parent Evening on 14th August

Year 9 into 10 Course Selection Day on 20th August.

Further information regarding our Course Counselling process for 2013 will be distributed to parents shortly.

Interim reports will be completed during Week 5 and distributed to students soon after this, it is an important indicator to Coordinators and Parents as to how well students have settled into their new Semester Two classes and how they are managing these new subjects. It is important that students are on top of their work, attending regularly, and bringing all relevant materials to class for students to gain success in their classes.

Ann Russell
Junior School coordinator

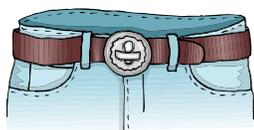
Student Leadership

Woolworths Earn & Learn

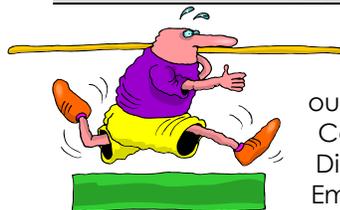
Thank you to all of the families who have been collecting the Woolworths stickers. We are almost at the finale with 12th August being the final day for this promotion. All completed cards need to be placed in the box at the General Office by **Monday 13th August**. Any left over stickers can be used on incomplete cards, so bring those in as well.

Jeans for Genes Day

Rosehill students participated in Jeans for Genes Day today by wearing their jeans to school in return for a gold coin donation. All proceeds will be going to supporting Children's Medical Research Institute for "Healthier Kids, Brighter Future." The student council thank all the staff and students who got behind this course.



Athletics Carnival



On Tuesday 24th July Rosehill students attended our annual athletics carnival at Coburg Athletics Track. The Diamond, Sapphire, Ruby and Emerald staff and student leaders showed great enthusiasm and

worked hard to encourage students to participate in events and join in the fun. All the students that attended put in effort and exhibited pride for their house, whether it was competing in events, dressing up in costume or simply cheering on their team. It was an excellent atmosphere and the new tug of war novelty event was a big success.

There has been a big improvement in participation, attendance and house pride in both carnivals this year. Hopefully it will continue to grow and become a bigger part of the school. Overall Diamond was the winning house for the day, which is the first win for yellow house since the start of the new four house system in 2010. Green unfortunately is the only house to not register an overall win.

The following students were the best performing students in their age groups:

Kurk Bennett and Kayla Georgievski (12-13)

Brodie Meyers and Hayley Ellis (14)

Ben Watt and Michelle Davidson (15)

Daniel Vrbnjak and Nicole Ware (16)

Dion Hill, Marcus Taylor & Breanna Camilleri (17-20)

Well done to these students. They will be competing alongside other field event winners and overall track winners to compete in the Moonee Valley District Athletics Competition at Coburg Athletics track on 4th September.

Many thanks to all the staff and students involved, it was their efforts that made it a successful day.

Gabriel Sarpa
Sports Coordinator



Student Accident Insurance

Parents are reminded that Rosehill Secondary College does not have a whole of school Student Accident Insurance policy. Parents and guardians are responsible for paying the cost of medical treatment for injured students, including any transport costs.

Reasonably low cost accident insurance policies are available from commercial insurers. These cover a range of medical expenses not covered by Medicare or private health insurance. However the Department cannot advise parents/guardian on whether to purchase a student accident policy or which policy to purchase. It is recommended that parents/guardians seek assistance in this matter with their insurance broker or find a suitable personal accident insurer in the Yellow Pages or online.

Whooping Cough

A suspected case of Whooping Cough has been identified within the Year 7 cohort. Parents should be vigilant, seek medical advice and keep their child/children at home if they display any of the symptoms of this condition. Symptoms of whooping cough can include severe coughing fits, which produce the namesake high-pitched "whoop", and vomiting after coughing.

Kerry McKay
Assistant Principal

Parent Opinion Survey

This week a randomly selected group of parents were posted a DEECD parent opinion survey. Could parents please complete them by **Monday 6th August** and have their child return them to the General Office.

Upon return each student will receive a chocolate reward for their trouble.

National Self-Detecting Program for students with Scoliosis

Scoliosis (spinal curvature) is an important health problem for adolescent girls; 2.5% of girls are at risk of developing a significant curve. July/August are the months where it is recommended that girls in Years 7 and 9 participate in the self-detection program by downloading a brochure with instructions to assist in self-detection. The brochure can be downloaded at: www.scoliosis-australia.org

This link will also allow parents and students to participate in an on-line forum to obtain advice from specialists.

Kerry McKay
Assistant Principal

Sick Bay and Contact Details

Please ensure contact and emergency details are up to date. If your child is unwell please do not send them to school. Students are permitted to carry panadol for personal use in their bags if needed.

Personal medication for Hay fever, Asthma and anaphylaxis can be stored at the General Office and administered as needed. The College is NOT permitted to supply these medications to students without their own personal supplies. If your child is unwell, our College policy is to monitor the student for 10 to 15 minutes. If there is no improvement we ask the student to contact the parent to collect them. If a parent cannot be contacted a secondary emergency contact will be called.

If your child has a pre existing injury please ensure it is adequately bandaged or strapped prior to attending school.



Free Tutoring

The College offers free after school tuition in the Library each **Monday afternoon from 3.30-4.30**. Teachers from a range of subject areas attend to assist students of all year levels with their work. All Students are welcome and are encouraged to attend.

This enhancement and enrichment program is an integral program at Rosehill Secondary College and has proven to be very successful over the many years of its operation in assisting students in completing their homework, class work and research, as library resources will also be available to students. Students attending may also focus on developing their study techniques in preparation for class tests and exams.

Teachers from all key learning areas will be available to cater to students' needs on a weekly basis. Teachers will assist students on a one to one basis or in small groups. Students will see this tuition as an extension of their Monday school program and will continue to learn in the comfort of their own school environment at no extra cost.

There are many benefits of the Monday Tuition Program but above all, this program is easily accessible to students, has no cost incurred whatsoever, and is effective in improving students' study skills, results and confidence to work independently.

For further information regarding the Tuition Program please contact Ms De Goederen.

It's Time To Celebrate At Avondale Heights Kindergarten 50th Birthday Celebrations

Date : 19th August 2012
Where: Avondale Heights Kindergarten
7 Clarendon St., Avondale Heights 3034
Phone / Fax: 9317 8885
Time: 10am to 2pm

What does it mean to be 50? Well, in some instances, it is a golden celebration. And that's just what is happening when the Avondale Heights Kindergarten celebrates 50 years of service to the Avondale Heights community.

On Sunday 19th August 2012, the Avondale Heights Kindergarten is opening its doors to the local and wider community, past and present students, parents and teachers to mark this momentous occasion.

There will be a range of activities to keep the kids amused including face painting, an animal petting zoo, book fair and entertainment.

The special contribution that Avondale Heights Kindergarten has made to many families will be marked by a photographic display of all of the past teachers and students.

A commemorative cookbook is being prepared by current students and parents to celebrate our 50th Anniversary. This will also be a core part of our 2012 fundraising program and will be available for purchase at the open day.

BE A PART OF OUR KINDERGARTEN'S HISTORY



GOOD grief - a Charlie Brown musical is opening soon and a Niddrie student has the lead role. Kurt Russo will be shining on stage after landing himself the lead role in the musical "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown." Kurt Russo, who attends Niddrie's Rosehill Secondary College, will play Charlie Brown from the famous Peanuts cartoons in You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown at the Cromwell Theatre. Kurt, 16, said he auditioned for the show after getting a nudge from his sister Natalie. The Diggers Rest resident said he was "over the moon" to land the lead in one of his favourite musicals. "I was surprised to get the role because over 160 people auditioned for it," Kurt said. "Even if I didn't get the lead and had another role, I would have been content." Kurt described the show as a family comedy looking at the life of schoolboy Charlie Brown. It will be the first production Kurt has been involved in outside of school.

Article obtained from: Moonee Valley Leader July 30th 2012

Traffic

The College would like to remind parents to adhere to local traffic regulations around the school. The main concerns are parking in 'No Standing' areas, double parking, speeding and parking in and across driveways, and the disregard towards the "No Right Hand Turn" into Rosehill Road within the restricted hours.

Irresponsible parking practices are not only placing students in danger but are also teaching them bad habits. Parking on the nature strips and across driveways may incur fines.

Please show consideration to the College neighbours, other traffic and most importantly to students of the College.

Police and traffic infringement officers from the local Council do random checks around the College and will issue fines and infringement notices for breaches in local road laws.



Once again in 2013 students will have the opportunity to travel to Japan and take part in an exchange with our sister school Kogakkan High School. It is anticipated that the tour will be in May/June 2013. The itinerary is still to be finalised however it is expected to include visiting Tokyo (Disneyland), Kyoto, Hiroshima, Ise City (sister school) and Nagoya.

The accommodation will be in hotels apart from the sister school exchange where students will stay with families from the school. The cost will include airfare with Singapore Airlines, 7 day JL rail pass, hotel accommodation, all breakfasts, all meals and excursions while at our sister school. More details will be available once final dates and numbers attending are finalised.

It is expected that once again 15 students will have the opportunity to participate. The cost will be approximately \$4400 plus student spending and some meals. Once students have been advised who will be attending a deposit of \$600 will be required and then the rest to be paid over the next 8 months.

If you are interested in your child attending the tour to Japan in 2013 could you please complete the slip below and return it to either myself or Mr. Hayakawa.

A meeting to discuss details will be held in Term 3, 2012 however if you have any questions you would like addressed earlier please feel free to contact us at the college

Sandra Smart
Assistant Principal

Takanori Hayakawa
Teacher of Japanese

TRIP TO JAPAN 2013

I am interested in attending the trip to Japan in 2013

NAME: _____

YEAR LEVEL: _____

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: ____/____/____



