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CALENDAR

Monday 11th June

Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

Wednesday 12th to Thursday 14th June

Exams - Years 7 to 12

Thursday 14th June

Breakfast at Rosehill 8am to 8.40am

Friday 15th June

Report Writing Day - **NO STUDENTS REQUIRED**

Tuesday 19th June

Casual Clothes day

Gold coin donation fundraiser

Thursday 21st June

Performing Arts Gala 7.30pm

18th June to 29th June

Work Experience Year 10

Friday 29th June

**End of Term - Reports Distributed
Students Dismissed at 2.30pm**

Attendance

Please call the absence line on **9331 9639** when your child is absent from school or is going to be late. Lunchtime detentions will be given to students arriving to school late if they do not have a note explaining why. Students must report to the General Office on arrival with their diary.

Year 12 Absence letters have been sent this week, replies are due back to the school by Tuesday 12th June.

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

Earn & Learn Woolworths

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2012 has begun. One sticker will be awarded to customers for every \$10 spent at a Woolworth's store. Sticker cards are available from the general office so start collecting as the more stickers collected means the more resources we can gain for the school.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to the second last newsletter for the term. It is a very busy time with exams next week and report writing well underway.

One of the main topics of discussion across all schools is the current cutbacks to the education budget. So far we have been hit in three main areas:

- At the end of last year the DEECD decided to cut VCAL coordination funding. This resulted in an immediate loss to the College of \$45,000. Due to increases in student numbers in 2012 we were able to absorb this cost. I am aware of at least one secondary college abandoning VCAL but we see value in the program and will continue to run it.
- I attended a meeting for Principals at Victoria University TAFE sector on Wednesday of this week where we were informed of what impact TAFE cuts will have for schools. The end result is that some VET subjects will be cut, some will be streamlined and there will be an increase of between 20-30% fees. We will have no choice but to pass these fees onto parents of students attending VET subjects. It could mean increases of 200-300 dollars. Every VCAL student is required to undertake a VET subject so it is these students who will feel the increase most.
- The Government has slashed EMA funding to parents. From 2013, an eligible student in Year 7 will receive only \$300 instead of \$470. A student in Year 8 will receive only \$250 instead of \$470. There will be no funding paid directly into school accounts to support these students, so all affected parents will need to be paying school resource charges up front. The federal government this year is going to give eligible parents a one off payment of \$820 but this will not go beyond 2012. The school start bonus which was given to Year 7 students has been cancelled.

We are unaware of any further confirmed cuts but I am expecting more. Upgrade and maintenance of facilities is always an issue and we are not expecting support in this area.

Yesterday over half our teaching staff were on strike in support of the AEU log of claims. Some media outlets will present both sides of the argument, some only one but as a Principal I am not able to air my views in Parent Newsletters. I will say however, that all staff at Rosehill are working extremely hard to meet the demands of educating students in our modern society and I don't believe there are any productivity gains to be made at the school level. The frustrating thing for Principals is that while it takes such a long time to thrash out an agreement we will be not given enough time for the implementation of any new arrangements for the 2013 school year.

Peter Rouse
Principal

Students Arriving Late To School

The college has been concerned that a number of students are arriving late on a regular basis. When a student arrives late to school in the morning, they must sign in at the General Office before going to class. It is expected that the student will have an explanatory note or that an explanatory phone call will be made by a parent around the time of the student's arrival.

Students will receive a half-lunch detention when they arrive late twice in a week without an explanatory note or phone call. They will receive a further detention every other time they are late that week. Already this process has reduced the number of students arriving late to school. Parents are reminded that students are expected to arrive prior to Home Room which commences at 8.55am.

Kerry McKay
Assistant Principal

Junior School News

It has been a very busy term for all of our students and staff in the Junior School. We had a wonderful time on the Year 7 Camp at Forest Edge. The students were extremely well behaved and participated well in all the activities offered to them. They worked well in their teams and enjoyed the beautiful sunshine we were lucky to have. Staff returned tired but happy with the way the camp ran and the students' high level of involvement and behaviour. Thank you to Ms Puskaric for all her organisation of the camp and to the wonderful staff who attended and contributed to the success of the camp. Thanks to Mr Pavlidis, Mr Gaunt, Mr Said, Mr Sarpa, Mr Blicavs, Mr Stubbings, Mr McPherson, Ms Barbaro, Ms Benson, Ms Bowles, Ms Bruckard, Ms Fitzgerald, Ms Smith, Ms Cengia, Ms Trehella, Ms Wiltshire and Ms Jago.

We were very impressed with Forest Edge, so much so, that Ms Vossos and Ms Mortellaro are investigating this as a location for our Year 8 Camp later this year. Ms Vossos will be seeking Expressions of Interest next week from students and their families.

Congratulations to all of the Year 7 and Year 9 students who conducted themselves extremely well during the NAPLAN testing. They took the testing seriously and completed tests in a professional manner. We are expecting the same attitude at Years 7, 8 and 9 next week.

Exams begin after the Labour Day holiday, therefore students need to be studying now to prepare for their exams. Teachers have been preparing students for their exams and students need to use this revision time carefully to seek help from their teachers to ensure they maximise their potential during their exams.

Ann Russell
Junior School Coordinator

Breakfast At Rosehill

On Thursday 14th June between 8 – 8:40am, Rosehill is having a school breakfast run by the Student council for all students interested in having a healthy breakfast before their exams. A study conducted by Harvard researchers found that students who eat breakfast get better grades in exams because they are more positive and more attentive. This study also found that students who eat a healthy breakfast have higher energy levels and a better learning ability than other students who do not eat breakfast. To have students reach their potential we encourage them to eat a healthy breakfast throughout exam week and beyond. There will be juice, toast, cereal and tea available in front of the food tech room for a gold coin donation. Come along and have some breakfast in the morning while you do some last minute revision to get you ready for your exams!

Brooke Grech and student council

Performing Arts Gala

Students who take part in Performance Studies, Dance, Drama and Music are eagerly rehearsing for the upcoming Performing Arts Gala. Approximately 120 students across all year levels are coming together to reproduce some of the most famous scenes from well known musicals such as Fame, Hairspray, Chicago, Beauty and the Beast, West Side Story and many more. Tickets are on sale at the General Office, get your tickets before it sells out!!!



Blue Rose Club

ROSEHILL SECONDARY COLLEGE PRESENTS

THE BLUE ROSE CLUB

THURSDAY JUNE 28TH 2012
6:30 - 8:30 PM

- JAZZ AND BLUES NIGHT -

VENUE - ROSEHILL SECONDARY COLLEGE
YEAR 12 LOUNGE - 10A ALBERT STREET
ENTRANCE

BYO DINNER AND DRINKS

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM GENERAL OFFICE
ADULTS - \$10 | STUDENTS/CHILDREN - \$5

* THIS IS AN ALCOHOL-FREE EVENT

DESIGN BY CAROLINE PIVAN

Congratulations to Jessica Bartolo

Jessica Bartolo in Year 10 has been selected as a member of the School sport Victoria's 2012 Girls Under 16 Australian Football Team. This team will compete in the annual School sport Australia event, which will be held from 21st July to 29th July in Adelaide, S.A.

Good Luck Jessica, we will be following your progress.

Senior School News

Year 12 Mid-year Examinations commence on Tuesday 12th June. All students have been issued with a personalised timetable and a copy of the Exams Navigator. The Exams Navigator is a publication from the VCAA outlining the times, format and allowable materials in each examination.

It also contains a list of VCAA rules for the examinations. Students are encouraged to read this booklet to familiarise themselves with these rules so they are better able to perform to their best.

Week 17 Mid-year Examinations – Accounting
June 11th Biology Chemistry, Physics & psychology GAT

Lowes Sale

HURRY OFFER ENDS SAT 30th JUNE

INSTORE ONLY!

20% off Basic school wear

EXCLUSIVE OFFER TO OUR EZY-WAY CUSTOMERS



Offer limited to available floor stock only. While stocks last, 20% includes existing Ezy-Way 5% discount.

Excludes special designs or embroidered distinctive uniform items.

Italy Tour

Support the Italy Tour Program at Rosehill Secondary College. The 2012/2013 Greater Melbourne Entertainment™ Books will be available at the General Office during Term 2. Pre-orders are welcome.

The Entertainment™ Book is your guide to the best restaurants, hotel accommodation, attractions, sports and leisure activities...all with 25% to 50% off or 2 for 1 offers. Plus, My Bookings™... Compare rates, check availability and book your accommodation online.

The sample book with all its great offers can be viewed at the General Office in Term 2 or visit www.entertainmentbook.com.au.



Japanese Exchange Program 2012

Rosehill is seeking host families for 11 Japanese students (8 female and 3 male) from our sister school, Kogakkan High School. The students will be in Melbourne for approximately 14 days from the last week of July to the first week of August.

If you are interested in hosting a student, please return the slip below to Mrs Smart or Mr Hayakawa. If you would like additional information about the homestay program such as how much money is provided and what needs to be covered, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Takanori HAYAKAWA

Homestay Program

I would like to host a Japanese student for approximately two weeks.

PARENT NAME: _____

STUDENT _____ NAME: _____

TUTOR GROUP: _____

CONTACT NUMBER: _____

ADDRESS _____

PETS OWNED: NO YES

