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CALENDAR Term 1 - 2017

Wednesday 22nd February

7pm - Library
USA NASA Space Camp Parent and Student Meeting.

Thursday 23rd February

Medieval Day - Year 8

Tuesday 28th February

5.15pm School Council Meeting

Thursday 2nd March

Whole Swimming Carnival at
Oak Park Swimming Centre

Friday 3rd March

School Photos – Full Uniform Compulsory

Tuesday 7th March

Year 7 Vaccinations

Monday 13th March

Labour Day – Public Holiday

Wednesday 15th March

Parent Teacher Booking System Open
Booking Code to be advised
BOOKINGS CLOSE at 12pm on 20th March

Tuesday 21st March

Parent Teacher Interviews 1pm to 8pm

Wednesday 22nd March

Rosefest 1:15pm - 2:45pm

Thursday 23rd March

STEP Information Evening

Monday 27th March

NASA Trip Departs

Wednesday 29th March

Year 7 Orientation Camp

Friday 31st March

End of Term Students dismissed at 2.30pm

Year 7 Vaccination Dates

Tuesday 7th March

Tuesday 2nd May

Monday 4th September

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to the start of 2017. We wish Year 7 students all the best as they begin their journey through high school and we hope all other new students have overcome their nervousness and are settling into Rosehill.

There have been minimal changes to our staffing for this year. Jane Geerling has begun in her Leading Teacher role as head of Literacy, Dan Hagan is a new Humanities/English teacher and Amanda Mauceri is replacing Maria Genovese for a term. It has been a very stable start to the year.

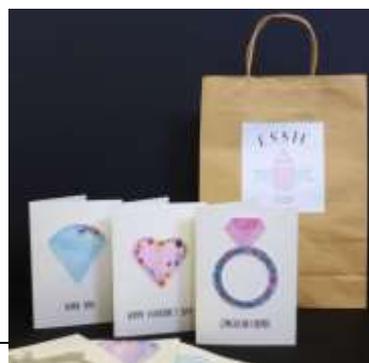
We welcome back from leave Heidi Bowles, Sara Jane Baker, Taryn Purvis, Melissa Bonett, Shannon Smith & Kelly-Ann Ferguson.

VCE results

Over the school holidays our 2016 Year 12 students received their Tertiary Placement offers. 91% of our students who applied for tertiary courses have been admitted to Degree courses and 80% were first preference choices. Once again we have been able to ensure that we are providing sound pathways for all our students.

There are two other success stories that have come out of our results.

Hebe Ng, one of our International Students from 2016, is a finalist in the Visual Arts International Student awards. On Friday of last week a film crew spent the day interviewing her and Virginia Singleton and taking shots of the school. This film will then be used to advertise Rosehill with agents overseas.



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Principal Report (Continued)

Robert Clark's photography work will be exhibited in this year's Top Designs exhibition as part of the VCE Season of Excellence 2017. To have work displayed at this level is an outstanding achievement. Robert's work is challenging and at times confronting as is the case with many high quality works.



The exhibition is held in July. These awards clearly demonstrate how strong our Visual Arts area is and all our teachers are outstanding in the work they do with our students.

Facilities

Visitors to the school would have quickly worked out that our Administration and Principals' offices have moved temporarily into two classrooms A1 and A2. These are located along the fence line at the back of Ida Street. To get to them you will need to enter the school from the Albert Street entrance, turn left once inside the gate and follow the fence line. There are clear posters with directions. We hope to move into our new Administration building some time early in Term 2. It has been an exciting project and everything is starting to take shape.

Buses

There is a notice later in this newsletter about the buses that are provided for our students. The numbers of students travelling from Craigieburn has grown again and the bus is now very crowded. We were hoping that Public Transport Victoria would allow the Greenvale bus to take an overflow and continue on to Craigieburn after dropping students at Greenvale. PTV would not fund this extra journey so we have decided to fund it ourselves and pay TBL direct. This is a major win for our Craigieburn travellers at considerable cost to the school. As always we expect all our students to use their MYKI cards and behave appropriately at all times.

Please Note: As the 475 public buses run by Kastoria going to East Keilor via Keilor Road are also crowded, students who do not have credit on their MYKI when boarding the 3.20pm bus will need to catch the 3.40pm bus which is less crowded and allows the driver time to top up student cards.

Peter Rouse
Principal

Attendance

Please continue to call the Absence Line directly on **9331 9639** to advise if your child is going to be absent or late to school.

Be at school on time, in uniform and ready to learn

Vanessa Johnson
Student Services

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

Electronic Newsletter

Rosehill Secondary College Newsletter is produced fortnightly and is available on the College Website and via the COMPASS News feed. Hardcopies of the newsletter can be collected from the General Office. Our website can be accessed at www.rosehillsc.vic.edu.au



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Afternoon School Bus Services

Parents and students will be aware that demand for the afternoon bus services from Rosehill Secondary has been very strong.

As a school, we have been working hard to support our families and find a solution to the issue of overcrowding on the afternoon buses – particularly the bus to Craigieburn.

We have now secured an ongoing arrangement with Tullamarine Bus Lines at a cost which will be born by the College. to continue the Greenvale bus on to Craigieburn each night. This will be at no additional cost to our bus users.

This means students travelling to Craigieburn now have the following options:

1. Catch the bus that travels directly to Craigieburn. This leaves from inside the school grounds.
2. Catch the bus that travels to Greenvale and then on to Craigieburn. This leaves from inside the school grounds.
3. Catch a bus to Essendon Station* then take the train from there to Craigieburn Station.

*There is a range of options available for students wanting to travel from the school to Essendon Station. These include:

1. The two buses marked '**Special**' which leave from inside the school grounds at approximately 3.22 pm and travel to Essendon Station. Check with the driver if unsure of where the bus stops.
2. The **465 bus** which is caught from outside the school grounds near the corner of Garnet and Buckley Streets, this side of Buckley Street. (Note - on the way to school the bus leaves from Rose Street and drops off at the corner of Buckley and Garnet Streets).
3. The **475 buses** which depart from outside the school grounds in Ida Street, leaving at approximate times of:
 - 3.20pm Goes to East Keilor, Essendon Station then Moonee Ponds
 - 3.30pm Goes to Essendon Station and then Moonee Ponds
 - Goes to East Keilor, Essendon Station then Moonee Ponds (much less crowded)
4. The **Smart Bus 903** which is caught near the corner of Garnett and Buckley Streets, this side of Buckley Street. (Note – on the way to school this bus leaves from Rose Street and

drops off at the corner of Buckley and Garnet Streets).

Students need to be aware that they must have money on their Myki card and touch on for each trip. Students who do not touch on or who misbehave on the buses will be removed.

Frances Snow
Assistant Principal

Year 7 Vaccinations - 2017

The Secondary School Vaccine Program offers free vaccines to Year 7 students. These vaccines provide protection against:

- Diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (whooping cough) – one dose
- Human Papillomavirus (HPV) – three doses
- Varicella (chicken pox) – one dose

Parents/Guardians of Year 7 students should look out for the vaccine consent card booklet coming home from school with your child. You need to read the booklet and complete and return Part A regardless of whether your child is being vaccinated at school.

The Moonee Valley immunisation service may contact you about the Secondary School Vaccine Program. Schools are authorised to provide basic parent/guardian contact details to local councils for this purpose. Contact the school by 28th February 2017 if you **do not** want your contact details given to the Moonee Valley council immunisation service.

To learn more about the Secondary School Vaccine Program, the vaccines, the diseases they protect against, or how you can prepare your child for vaccination, go to:

betterhealth.vic.gov.au or
immunehero.health.vic.gov.au

NASA News

Attention: Parents of students going on the USA NASA Space Camp.

Final Parent and Student meeting will be held on Wednesday 22nd February at 7pm in the school Library.

Also, a friendly reminder that the final payment of \$350 is due.

Stephanie Wasif & Richard Bader
NASA Camp Coordinators



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Do you hold a Health Care Card or similar concession card valid at 27th January 2017?

If so, you are likely to be eligible for CSEF funding for your child.

Families holding a valid means-tested concession card or temporary foster parents are eligible to apply. \$225 per year is paid to the school to cover the cost of camps, sporting activities, excursions and incursions. A special consideration eligibility category also exists. Payments are made directly to the school and are tied to your child for the duration of his/her enrolment at Rosehill.

One uniform package per year (either summer or winter) is also available for each eligible Year 7 student.

Application forms are available from the General Office. A copy of the current health care card must also be attached.

Applications should be lodged at the office by 31st March.

Late applications will not be accepted

Kerry McKay
Assistant Principal

RIL Shop

The RIL shop is open every Wednesday at lunchtime in the school library. Come along with your RIL cards to exchange for items in the shop.

The College aims to recognise and reward students who display the Rosehill values: Respect, Initiative, Learning.

Gladys Mora
RIL Sop Coordinator

**Photograph Day**

Photograph Day will take place on Friday, 3rd March. All students will have their photographs taken on the day, irrespective of whether or not parents are planning to order photographs.

However, parents and students are reminded that students must be in complete and correct college uniform or their photographs will not be included in the class photograph package or the college photograph booklet.

In particular, in accordance with the Rosehill Uniform Policy, the following are not permitted:

- Hair dyed un-natural colours
- Extreme hair styles
- Facial piercings
- Excessive or unusual make-up

Students have three weeks to correct any of the above issues prior to Photograph Day. Photograph orders are made through the Compass on-line parent portal. Information regarding this will be distributed to parents shortly.

Kerry McKay
Assistant Principal

Swimming Carnival

This year our annual swimming event will take place on Thursday 2nd March at the Oak Park Swimming Centre. Permission notes will be distributed at a later date. Please ensure your child pays the \$10.00 fee at the office before Wednesday 22nd February. Families with CSEF funding are able to use this to pay for the excursion. Keep your fingers crossed for great weather!

Mitchell Gaunt
Sports Coordinator

Booklists

The Booklist for 2017 is available on the following link:

<https://order.campion.com.au/index.html#resourceListListView?code=8A720E49>

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Sustainable School Shop

The Sustainable School Shop offers Annual Subscriptions to Rosehill parents. You will need to nominate the College when you register on the Sustainable School Shop website.



The website is simple and easy to use - www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au.

All your enquiries can be directed to the **Sustainable School Shop** on: 1300 683 337.

Footwear Requirements



THREE SIMPLE RULES FOR BUYING SCHOOL SHOES

1. ARE THE SHOES ALL BLACK
2. ARE THE SHOES ALL LEATHER OR SUEDE
3. ARE THE SHOES BELOW THE ANKLE



Integration Funding for Year 7's

YEAR 7 STUDENTS – FUNDING AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT THE TRANSITION OF ANY STUDENT WHO LOST PSD (INTEGRATION) FUNDING DURING THE YEAR 6-7 REVIEW

For the first time, DET is providing \$2,000 in funding to support the transition into secondary school of any student who had PSD (Integration) funding in primary school, but lost it during the Year 6-7 review process.

If your son or daughter had Integration funding last year but lost it at the end of the year, please let Kerry McKay know either by email: mckay.kerry.k1@edumail.vic.gov.au or by calling her on 9337 2488.

Applications must be made by mid-February.

Skype Session

First Skype sessions with our sister school 2017.

On 7th February some of our students of Japanese used Skype to communicate with students from our sister school, Kogakkan Junior High School in Japan. Students enjoyed having conversations in both English and Japanese for almost one hour.

They introduced themselves and talked about their favourite things and hobbies.

Six Year 11 students participated in this session: Misshelly Chen, Ryan Harper, Raymond Huang, Edan Sheridan, Jordan Van, and Alian Yang.

It is hoped that we can organise more Skype sessions in the future since the experience was obviously enjoyed by all.

Takanori Hayakawa



Our Vision

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RSC 2016 Academic and Achievement Awards Evening

The annual Rosehill Secondary College Awards Evening held on 13th December 2016 provided a great opportunity to celebrate the successes of our students and the induction of the 2017 School Captains, Natalie Mullins and Jack Thynne. Awards for academic excellence were presented in all Key Learning Areas and for all Year 12 subjects studied at the College. A number of special awards were also presented throughout the evening including:

Year Level Dux Awards:

Year 7 Nikala Bervanakis Year 8 Hannah Lyberis
Year 9 Demie Bagnato Year 10 Caitlin Page
Year 11 Thomas Fletcher Year 12 Elisha Elkin

'Optima Semper', Best Always Awards:

Year 7 Karthika Pamidimarri
Year 8 Stephanie Page
Year 9 Annabelle Salter
Year 10 Alexander Tanti
Year 11 Ethan Holmes

ADF Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Award

Year 10: Alyssa Burrows

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Year 12: Stefanie Kirifi

Anthony Pryor Student Encouragement Award:

Brooke Carter

Caltex Best All Rounder Award: Madeline Rustem

Bunnings Student Encouragement Award: Jesse Borg

Community Award: Ashleigh Teasdale

Coughlan Motors Award: Kareem Khalil

Insight Publications English Encouragement Award: Letitia Seng

Insight Publications Literature Encouragement Award: Alannah Burr

Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars Program

Recipients: Elena Bervanakis and Misshelly Chen

Pierre De Coubertin Award: Thomas Pearson

Sam Pennisi Student Encouragement Award: Grace Soonalole

Roger Smith Memorial Award: Anastasia Liberidis

School Sport Victoria Sporting Achievement Award: Kayla Sidzimovska

Sporting Blue Award: Monique Ambruosi (Drag Racing)

Sunbury Coaches Student Participation Award: Rhys Marks

WorldStrides Excellence Award: Natalie Mullins

Victoria University Excellence in Science Award: Raymond Huang

You Psychology, Stand Strong Award: Tuyen Nguyen

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Nellie Harboud and Lucy Anic Awards Co-ordinators

Tuition at RSC 2017

Students, parents and teachers are all welcome to attend and participate in the RSC whole school tuition program that is now available in the college library every Monday afternoon from 3.30pm – 4.30 pm where all subject areas will be represented. Tuition commenced on Monday 6th February for Term 1.

Due to staff timetabling for 2017, the Tuition Program has been altered from Wednesday afternoons (2016) to Monday afternoons for 2017. The Maths/Science departments will also continue to offer additional help in these subject areas on Wednesday afternoons from 3.30pm to 4.30pm in B-Block.

These enhancement and enrichment programs have proven to be very successful in assisting students in completing their homework, classwork and assignment work. The improvement of literacy and numeracy skills has been an important priority for students attending, as well as the development of 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. These programs are easily accessible to students at no cost and are effective in improving study skills, results and the confidence in students to work independently.

For further information regarding the Monday Whole School Tuition Program, please contact Ms De Goederen on 9337 2488 or email: degoederen.nina.n@edumail.vic.gov.au

For information regarding the Maths/Science additional help, please contact Ms Fitzgerald or Ms Wasif on 9337 2488



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ROSEHILL SECONDARY COLLEGE

School Council Election 2017 - Information for Parents

What is a School Council and what does it do?

All government schools in Victoria have a School Council. They are legally constituted bodies that are given powers to set the key directions of a school within statewide guidelines. In doing this, a School Council is able to directly influence the quality of education that the school provides for its students.

Who is on the School Council?

For most School Councils, there are three possible categories of membership:

- A mandated elected Parent category - more than one-third of the total members must be from this category. Department of Education and Training (DET) employees can be Parent members at their child's school as long as they are not engaged in work at the school.
- A mandated elected DET employee category - members of this category may make up no more than one-third of the total membership of School Council. The Principal of the school is automatically one of these members.
- An optional Community member category - members are coopted by a decision of the Council because of their special skills, interests or experiences. DET employees are not eligible to be Community members.

Generally, the term of office for all members is two years. The term of office of half the members expires each year, creating vacancies for the annual School Council elections.

Why is Parent membership so important?

Parents on School Councils provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help shape the direction of the school.

Those parents who become active on a School Council find their involvement satisfying in itself and may also find that their children feel a greater sense of belonging.

How can you become involved?

The most obvious way is to vote in the elections, which are held in Term 1 each year. However, ballots are only held if more people nominate as candidates than there are positions vacant.

In view of this, you might seriously consider:

- standing for election as a member of the School Council.
- encouraging another person to stand for election.

Do I need special experience to be on School Council?

No. What you do need is an interest in your child's school and the desire to work in partnership with others to help shape the school's future.

What do you need to do to stand for election?

The Principal will issue a Notice of Election and Call for Nominations following the commencement of Term 1 each year. All School Council elections must be completed by the end of March unless the usual time line has been varied by the Minister.

If you decide to stand for election, you can arrange for someone to nominate you as a candidate or you can nominate yourself in the Parent category.

DET employees whose child is enrolled in a school in which they are not engaged in work are eligible to nominate for parent membership of the School Council at that school.

Once the nomination form is completed, return it to the Principal within the time stated on the Notice of Election. You will receive a Nomination Form Receipt in the mail following the receipt of your completed nomination.

Generally, if there are more nominations received than there are vacancies on Council, a ballot will be conducted during the two weeks after the call for nominations has closed.

Remember

- Ask at the school for help if you would like to stand for election and are not sure what to do.
- Consider standing for election to council this year.
- Be sure to vote in the elections.

Contact the Principal or Business Manager on 9337 2488 for further information.

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Schedule 4 Notice of Election and Call for Nominations - 2017

An election is to be conducted for members of the School Council of **Rosehill Secondary College**.

Nomination forms may be obtained from the school and must be lodged by 4:00 pm on **Monday 20th February 2017**.

The ballot will close at 4:00 pm on **Monday 6th March 2017**.

Following the closing of nominations a list of the nominations received will be posted at the school. The terms of office, membership categories and number of positions in each membership category open for election are as follows –

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY	TERM OF OFFICE	POSITIONS
Parent member	10 th March 2017 to 6 th March 2019	3
DET employee member	10 th March 2017 to 6 th March 2019	2

If the number of nominations is less than the number of vacancies, a notice to that effect and calling for further nominations will be posted in a prominent position at the school.



Peter Rouse
PRINCIPAL



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School Council Elections - 2017

Schedule 5A Self-Nomination Form for Parent Member Category

I wish to declare my candidacy for an elected position as a parent member on the Rosehill Secondary College School Council.

Name

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Residential Address

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Contact Phone (mobile or landline):

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Email

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I am the Parent/Guardian of who is/are currently enrolled at this school.

I am an employee of the Department of Education and Training but not engaged in work at and for the school. **Yes/No**
Please Circle

I am prepared to serve as a Parent member of the above-named School Council. I hereby declare that I am not:

- an undischarged bankrupt
- of unsound mind
- currently serving a sentence for an indictable offence; or
- a registrable offender within the meaning of the Sex Offenders Registration Act 2004.

Signature of Candidate

Date

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You will be notified when your nomination has been received.

Personal information provided in this form is collected as part of the school council election nomination process. The information may be used to determine your eligibility as a candidate. Your personal information may be disclosed as a result of inspection prior to the commencement of voting or at any time up to one year from the declaration of the poll.

Your name will be included in a list of school council candidates and nominators (where applicable) posted in a prominent position at the school and for candidates, on a ballot paper (where applicable).

Further, the name, membership category, gender, term of office, office held (if any) of school council members and notification whether the member is an employee of the Department will be forwarded to the Department of Education and Training by the Principal by 30th April each year as a record of council membership and may be used for statistical purposes.

You can access your personal information by contacting the Principal on 9337 2488.

If you choose not to give some or all of the information requested your nomination may not be accepted. If you have any queries about the school council nomination process, please contact the Principal.



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