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CALENDAR Term 3 - 2017

Wednesday 26th July

Kogakkan students arrive

Thursday 27th July

AMT Mathematics Competition

Monday 31st July

Year 10 and 12 Vaccinations

Wednesday 2nd August

Ski Camp

Friday 4th August

Year 11 Vaccinations

Wednesday 9th August

Parent Information Evening

Year 10 to 11(2018) – 6.30pm

Year 11 to 12 (2018) – 7.30pm

Thursday 10th August

Parent Information Evening

Year 9 to 10 (2018) – 6.30pm

Friday 11th August

Curriculum Day

No Students in Attendance

Monday 14th August

Step Camp away until the 16th August

Applications for Year 11 VCAL due

Tuesday 15th August

Year 11 to 12 Course Counselling Day

No Year 11 classes

Wednesday 16th August

Year 10 to 11 Course Counselling Day

No Year 10 Classes

Thursday 17th August

Year 9 to 10 Course Counselling Day

No Year 9 Classes

Friday 18th August

Online subject selections close for Years 9, 10 and 11

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to the first newsletter for Term 3. The term ahead is quite busy but it is a steady term with minimal interruptions for our students. This will be important, as our Year 12s will have their last term of classes before sitting exams later in the year.

Course Counselling

Term 3 marks the beginning of Course Counselling and students will be selecting subjects for 2018. This is an important process. For students from Years 9 to 10 this will have an impact on their choice of VCE subjects in the future so a great deal of thought and advice goes into it. Parents are also encouraged to be involved as outlined below:

Week 3: Subject Handbooks will be distributed to Year 9 and 10 students and a KLA expo will be held where students are introduced to the available subjects.

Week 4: Parent Information Evenings will take place:
Wednesday 9th August: Students going from Year 10 to 11 and Year 11 to 12.
Thursday 10th August: Students going from Year 9 to 10.

Week 5: Course Counselling days:
Tuesday 15th August: Years 11 to 12
Wednesday 16th August: Years 10 to 11
Thursday 17th August: Years 9 to 10

More information will be released over the coming weeks.

Year 10 Work Experience

Our Year 10 students completed their Work Experience Program during the last two weeks of Term 2. From all accounts they represented the College well and I am sure that they have gained a lot. Earlier this year I attended a meeting at Moonee Valley Council and surveys conducted by the Council with youth in the area clearly showed that young people believe that a smooth transition from school to work is extremely important. We are pleased that we can support them in this area.



Our Vision

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Staffing

There have been some staffing changes for Term 3:

Ms Beechey: Absent for the first two weeks of term and is being replaced by Ms Erra Prafulla.

Mr Pavlidis: Absent for weeks 1 to 5. Replaced by Ms Zalfa Bou-rizk.

Ms Adam: Absent for weeks 1 to 3. Replaced by Ms Sonia Mortensen.

Ms Bouras: Absent for weeks 1 to 6. Also replaced by Ms Mortensen.

Ms Geerling: Absent all term. Replaced by Mr John Carnegie for two weeks and then by Ms Fiona Cole.

Ms De Goederen: Absent all term. Replaced by Mr Craig Colten.

Ms Hayes: Absent all term. Replaced by Ms Bethany Allen for one week and then by Ms Brooke Hughes.

While **Ms Bouras** is on leave we will have a psychologist, Ms Angela Sozzi working with us in the Student Welfare role.

I am sure that all the replacement teachers will make a valuable contribution to Rosehill during their time with us.

We also welcome back Ms Aquilina from maternity leave.

Fame

Congratulations must go out to Ms Annette Ellis the Performing Arts Coordinator and to all members of the cast and their support crew for the wonderful production of Fame that was held last week of last term. It really was a highly enjoyable show and once again, the talents of our students were showcased.

Kogakkan High School

On Wednesday of next week our visitors from our Japanese sister school will arrive for their annual visit and I would like to thank in advance those families who have agreed to host students. Our aim is to provide them all with a highly positive experience and to strengthen their English Language skills.

Facilities

After almost 18 months of planning and hard work Monday of this week marked opening of the new Administration building. The College Administration staff, myself and the Assistant Principals moved into our new offices over the holidays and we are all excited about the outcomes and what we have achieved.

We can look back proudly at the major projects we have undertaken over the last nine years on behalf of the College Community:

- Year 12 Study/Professional Development Centre
- Upgrade from two to three external Basketball Courts
- Refurbishment of the Art classrooms.
- Refurbishment of the Year 11 Study/Careers Centre
- New English as an Additional Language Coordinators office and classroom upgrade.
- B Block upgrade including new ceilings, an extra Science laboratory with a full refurbishment of all the Science Labs and a new Science Prep room.
- A new Technology Relocatable Classroom
- Three new relocatable buildings providing for six new classrooms.
- Library refurbishment

In addition to these, we will be replacing two of our older relocatable modules (4 classrooms) with new ones during this term. We will then be able to concentrate on saving to continue our building renewal projects.



The new Reception off Sapphire Street



Thomas and Monica getting some attention at the new student counter



Our Values

Respect: Trust, Empathy and Tolerance

Initiative: Accepting Challenges, Developing Leadership

Learning: Powerful, Progressive and Purposeful



The new main entrance to the College in Sapphire Street.

All visitors to the College are expected to use and report to the new Administration Entrance in Sapphire Street.

Parent Opinion Survey

The Parent Opinion Survey is completed annually by the Department of Education and Training and is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents at every school in Victoria. This year, about 30 per cent of parents will be invited to participate. All responses to the survey are anonymous.

The survey helps our school gain an understanding of how you view our school climate, student engagement, and relationships.

The survey will be conducted online by ORIMA Research Pty Ltd and only takes 15 minutes to complete. It can be accessed from Monday 7th August to Sunday 27th August.

We will be completing a random sample of parents early next week and will be sending our further details to those selected.

Peter Rouse
Principal

Attendance

IT'S NOT OK TO BE AWAY

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.

If students are required to leave school early for any reason, parents must record this information preferably on Compass, or in the student diary.

Vanessa Johnson
Student Services Officer

Late last term fifteen Rosehill Secondary College students set off to Japan with Mr Hayakawa and I for the 2017 Cultural and Study Tour. We had a wonderful time and all students enjoyed the culture, history, natural beauty and cuisine of this amazing country. Highlights for our students included our visits to the Hiroshima Peace Park and Tokyo Disneyland as well as the time spent with our sister school, Kogakkan High School, in the city of Ise.

Students spent five nights living with their host family and attended a special school program at Kogakkan during the day. During this time, they forged strong attachments to their host brothers and sisters, which made for a very emotional farewell at the end of our visit.

Our students were wonderful representatives for our school during this trip and Mr. Hayakawa and I congratulate them on the way they conducted themselves while in Japan. We are all looking forward to welcoming Kogakkan High School students and teachers to our school this term.

Frances Snow
Assistant Principal



Student ID Card

Students are strongly encouraged to purchase their ID Cards available for \$10 from the College. The card can then be used to sign students in and out of the College using the Compass Kiosk and will time and date stamp their arrival if late and automatically issue a Late pass.

We thank parents in advance for their support in implementing this process.

Judith Wright
Business Manager

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