Term 4 has begun and the Year 12 students are in their final two weeks of formal classes after 13 years of education. I am sure that many parents will be asking, “where did that time go?”, and they will remember the many phases of childhood and teenage-hood that their children have passed through and will now watch them prepare for the young adult phase.

I urge Year 12 parents to read closely the information in this bulletin which outlines the program and exam timetable.

**Year 11-12 Orientation Program**

We have conducted a review of our Year 11-12 orientation program that we have been running over the last few years and have come to the conclusion that there is a need to extend the number of classes in each subject. We plan to run six full lessons in each subject for each student who will be in Year 12 next year. Some teachers will be using this time to conduct assessment tasks. The objective is to maximise the use of class time for students in Year 12. With no mid-year exams next year it will mean that more revision time will be required in the lead up to the end of year exams and this will enable us to gain that time. More details will be released about this program to Year 11 students soon.

**Enrolments 2013**

Our enrolment numbers across the school for 2013 are healthy with just over 1100 students. This means we will be able to continue to run all the learning programs that we have in the past despite government cutbacks.

**Current activities**

I will have the pleasure of attending a number of student activities over the next two weeks. Last night I attended our Year 12 music student pre-exam performance sessions, next Wednesday I will see our Year 12 dance students through their final paces, and I am looking forward to the Rosefest Arts festival on Saturday 20th October. We certainly have a large number of very talented students in the school.

**School fees and levies**

We encourage all parents to pay fees and levies. These are important for us to offer the best possible learning opportunities to our students that we can. However, we are also aware that some families may experience hardship so please let us know if this is happening as we can support in various ways.

On the subject of fees and levies my eyes were opened by the publicity that MLC received. It was published that MLC receives $61 million per year from school fees alone. This is to run a school with 2220 students. They also employ just over 400 teaching and support staff. We run our school with currently just under 1100 students and 100 teaching and support staff on a budget of just over $8 million per year. I will leave it up to parents to do the comparison sums. I believe we are offering an excellent teaching and learning program in the best facilities possible given the age of our buildings.

**Peter Rouse**

**Principal**
**Attendance**

Please call the Absence Line 9331 9639 if you know your child is absent, or please respond to absence text messages you receive. Absences are still outstanding for Parent Teacher Day 13th September and last day of Term 3, 21st September – please advise your approval if you child did not attend either of these days.

Year 7 Families – if your child was absent on the day of the Teacher Strike, 5th September please notify me of your approval.

Jo Jacka
Student Services

**Junior School News**

Thank you to all the parents that attended the Year 9 Information Evening on Tuesday. It was a great turnout and we were pleased to discuss the program with our parents and answer any questions they had regarding the Year 9 City Experience program. I trust that any parents who had concerns or questions were there on the night. However, if you weren’t able to make it and have some questions about the program please feel free to contact Melissa Bonett, Annette Ellis or myself.

In relation to the Year 9 City Experience program, the key dates are as follows:
- City Experience Excursion - Monday 22nd October
- City Experience Dates - Monday 29th October to Friday 2nd November
- Presentation Evening at the school - Thursday 15th November

Congratulations to the following Year 9 Students who attended the Year 9 Engineering Students @ Work Humanitarian Conference, Tayla Honey, Keighley Knox, Clare Kocjancic, Kaira Zeidan and William Wei. They were noted for their professional and innovative leadership qualities by the engineers who ran the conference. They acquitted themselves well as representatives of Rosehill S.C. Also thanks to Mr Leaver for organising such a worthwhile excursion for our students.

**End of Year Activities:** Year 9 have received notification of their end of year excursion. We are attending Galactic Circus on Monday 17th December. The cost is $25.00 and must be paid to the General Office by 19th of October. Year 7 and 8 will receive more detailed information about their end of year activities in the next week. The Year 8 excursion will be to Luna Park and the Year 7 excursion will be to Melton Wave pool. Both excursions are on Monday 17th December.

Ann Russell
Junior School Coordinator

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**Information for Year 12 Geography Students**

Information for Year 12 Geography students and parents. The exam revision lecture is on Saturday, October 20th. It is run by the GTAV (Geography Teachers Association) and is excellent in terms of preparing students for the final exam. There are two session times and students can book online via the GTAV website. Students have been given the information so please encourage them to attend.

Sharon Fellows
Humanities KLA Leader

**Curriculum Planning Afternoon**

On Thursday 15th November all staff at Rosehill Secondary College will be involved in a curriculum planning afternoon aimed at reviewing aspects of our reporting system and planning new curriculum for 2013 and beyond.

**Students will be dismissed at 1.00 pm.** All four periods will run for 50 minutes (periods 1 and 2 before recess and periods 3 and 4 after recess). All students are expected to attend school on the day. Arrangements for buses to come at 1.00 pm have been made.

Thank-you for your co-operation.

**Staffing**

Congratulations to Mr Crocker and Miss Egan who recently received awards for their 40 Years Service from the Education Department.

Welcome to Brendan Jackson who is replacing Miss Brown and Ms Srblin who is replacing Ms Pomella. Ms Brown has gone to work in the environmental tour industry and Miss Pomella is taking personal leave for the remainder of the year.

**Year 12 Dance Recital**

The Year 12 dance students will showcase two solos each. A technique solo and a character solo. These performances will be in preparation for the students’ examination the following week and will contribute to 50% of their overall mark for the year.

When: Wednesday 17th October
Where: Year 12 Centre
Time: 6:30pm
Year 12 News

Year 12 students are entering their final days of schooling, preparing for exams and completing applications for further study and jobs. It is a busy and potentially stressful time for them.

In terms of what they should be doing and what is occurring in the coming days and weeks:

- Students should return their slips regarding Graduation tickets. We would like numbers by Friday 12th October.
- Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd October – last 2 days of school. On Monday students are able to dress up for their last classes. On the Tuesday there will be the traditional morning tea for students, staff and parents in the VCE Centre commencing at 10.00 am. Students will be dismissed after the morning tea.
- Students are advised to empty and clean their lockers Friday 19th October.
- SWOT VAC occurs between Wednesday 24th and Wednesday 31st October. Staff will be available to meet with students who wish to get assistance and advice.
- Students studying LOTE, Music or Dance will complete their Oral or Performance examination during this time.
- Thursday 1st November – English examination.
- Examinations in other subjects continue until Wednesday 21st November.
- Students have received their individual examination timetable. The full examination timetable is below:

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During these last weeks we expect students to maintain the standards we have expected of them all year:

- In correct uniform – students must wear school uniform to all examinations
- In class for revision in the last weeks of school
- Participating in class and behaving around the school in a responsible and mature manner.

The College has considered actions that may be taken if students do not adhere to the school expectations. Such actions include:

- students may be asked to sit their examinations at another examination venue
- students may be banned from attending celebrations
- students may not be allowed to graduate and attend the Graduation

Please support the College make the last weeks of your students education at Rosehill Secondary College memorable and enjoyable.

**Year 11 News**

Year 11 students have a similarly busy time ahead. Having completed their subject selections for 2013 they should be busily completing their last set of assessment tasks and tests before finishing their Unit 2 studies and preparing for examinations.

Examinations will be held from Monday 19th November to Friday 23rd November.

Once completed students will be required to attend our Orientation Program for 2013. The Orientation Program will run from Monday 26th November to Friday 7th December. All students will have 6 classes for each of their Year 12 subjects with the aim of completing one Assessment Task. Some classes may finish earlier than Friday 30th depending upon timetabling.

**Year 10 News**

Year 10’s will sit their examinations from Monday 26th November to Thursday 29th November. Students will then be expected to return to school on Monday 3rd December for return of exams, the 2013 Orientation Program and Peer Support training. Further details of exact times will be published at a later time.

Simon Phelan
Senior School Leader
On the last Wednesday of Term 3, VCE students had a chance to take on some of their teachers in a friendly game of Aussie Rules. In warm conditions, countless students and teachers ventured to the oval to watch on as these two teams went head to head. After a promising start where the teachers edged to a 2 goal lead, the sheer weight of numbers ensured the students took a slender lead into the half time break. In the second half the students took control with their running game and eventually won by 20 points. Highlights included Mr Blicavs soaring to take a hanger, Ms Hughes showing courage under fire and Ms Adams & Mr Sioukas controlling the backline.

The final scores were:

Students: 8.4 .52
Teachers: 5.2.32

Students Best: M Beckman, W Guest, J Napoli, M Taylor, J Lobosco, L John
Goal Kickers: M Beckman 2, J Napoli 2, J Tahlia, M Taylor, W Guest, J Paskalidis

Teachers Best: S Adams, S Phelan, K Blicavs, G MacPherson, W Stubbings, B Hughes
Goal Kickers: M Gaunt 2, B Hughes, V Zivcic, S Phelan

It was a fantastic day and thanks to everyone who watched or participated, the teachers now preparing for their encounter with the current year 11s sometime during term 3, next year.
Aberfeldie Primary School would like to invite you to their Fete. For those wishing to pre-purchase a wristband for the rides, you can do so by visiting the office at Aberfeldie Primary School prior to fete day. There will be plenty to eat and drink; an entertainment line-up featuring live bands and if you buy a ticket in the raffle you could win an Apple iPad-3!

Check out these rides!
Cha Cha Ages 4 & up can ride with an adult
Hurricane 1.1m height minimum
Giant Super Slide Ages 3 to adult
Cup & Saucer All ages
Chair-O-plane Ages 3-13
Merry Go Round Ages 2-8

Great news, ticket prices for the rides have been locked in at 2010 rates!
$35 Unlimited Rides – pre-purchase a wristband by 18 Oct 2012
$40 Unlimited Rides – available from ticket booths on fete date, 19 Oct 2012 until 7pm
$6 individual ride – available from ticket booths on fete date, 19 Oct 2012

Visit the school website for more details:

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**Year 12 Student v Teachers Soccer**

After the success of the Staff v Students Games held this year, Greg Macpherson is organising a staff v students soccer match to be played next Wednesday, 17th October at 1.15pm. The Year 12s have challenged us to one last game before the end of their year. It is very exciting and builds great student / teacher relationships. Feel free to come and show your support. The students currently lead 2-1 after victories in basketball and football, but the staff have won netball and are looking to level the tally.