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CALENDAR

Monday 29th October

Interim reports Distributed in final Homeroom

Year 9 City School Experience 29th to 2nd November



Thursday 1st to 12th November

VCE Exams

Tuesday 6th November

Melbourne Cup Day
Public Holiday

Thursday 15th November

Curriculum Planning Afternoon

Students dismissed at 1pm

City Experience Presentation Evening 6.30pm

Compulsory attendance for Year 9 Students

Monday 19th to Friday 23rd November

Year 11 Exams

Thursday 22nd November

Graduation Evening

7pm La Mirage Receptions Campbellfield

Monday 26th November to 7th December

Year 11 to Year 12(2013) Orientation Classes

Monday 26th to 29th November

Year 10 Exams

Wednesday 5th to 7th December

Year 7 to 9 Exams

Year 10 to Year 11(2013) Orientation Classes

Tuesday 11th December

Year 7 2013 Orientation Day

Tuesday 18th December

Annual Awards Evening

7pm St Bernard's Auditorium

Thursday 20th December

Reports to be distributed at 12.30pm



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to the second newsletter for Term 4.

Australian Education Union Workbans

There are a number of issues developing around the current work bans that have been put in place by AEU members in the school:

- **Assessment and Reporting:** You may have been hearing or reading in the media about bans to some aspects of the completion of reports by AEU members in schools. Simply put, it means that those members will not be writing comments on reports or giving assessment grades, except for S and N's at the VCE level. They will only report on the VELs levels which will give you an indication of what stage of learning your child is at. As the Principal I have been instructed to continue the reporting process as normal for all other teachers. Consequently, it means that at the end of the year each student will have a set of reports, some with detailed information as normal and some with minimal information. For the single page interim reports that will be distributed next week, some subjects will have progress boxes filled, some will not depending on the teacher. This action taken by AEU members is legally protected action. Note that these teachers still have to continue to assess student work as normal.
- **Strike Action:** A series of half-day rolling stoppages have been put in place for the remainder of the year. AEU members at Rosehill will be taking strike action on Friday 30th November for half a day in the morning. I will let the school community know of the impact of this action as the time gets nearer.
- **Camps and Excursion:** There is a current ban on the planning of camps, excursions etc for 2013. I am still yet to measure the impact of this on our Year 7 camp which will run early in the year.

These bans are in place while negotiations are taking place between the AEU and DEECD. The latest rumours are that both parties are back negotiating and some progress is being made. It is my wish that things are sorted out this year but this may end up not being the case. Negotiations have now been taking place on and off for over a year and for the sake of the students, things need to be settled quickly.

Year 12 Students

Our year 12 students had their last classes this week and they are now on SWOT VAC in preparation for exams. We wish them all the best. I know some students in Languages and Dance have had their practical exams completed and there seems to be a fair amount of positivity about their performance.

Rosefest

Last weekend we held our Rosefest Music festival. It was a highly entertaining afternoon and thanks and congratulations must go out to all students, staff and parents involved. Take the time to have a look at the photos in this bulletin.

Principals Report Continued

Year 9 City Experience

Next week our Year 9 students are out doing research projects in the city of Melbourne. This is a highlight of the Year 9 program and it is always a tiring, but productive part of the Rosehill's learning experiences.

Peter Rouse
Principal

Attendance

Late arrivals

Students arriving late to school are required to sign in at the General Office. Parents are asked to send a note with their child explaining the reason for their late arrival. This note is to be given to the General Office when signing in.

Early Departures

When students are required to leave early on a particular day, they **must** bring a note of explanation from their parents. The note is to be given to the General Office prior to departure. Students are not permitted to leave the Campus, unless a parent is present or consent has been given. Only under exceptional circumstances will students be called out of class. **Announcements will not be made during class time, as this interrupts the whole school and will disrupt scheduled exams. If a student does not have a written note to be dismissed from class early, parents will need to be patient while the student is located.**

Absent/ Late Student Voice Mailbox

When a student is unable to attend the college, parents are asked to telephone the Student Absentee Line on 9331 9639 before 10.00am on the day of absence. Students are required to bring a note from their parents/guardians explaining their absence as soon as they return to the College.

If you receive an absence text from the school, parents just need to "reply" with their child's name and approval. Please note the website indicated on the text is a promotion for the text messaging company only, not an internet site to report your child's absence

Jo Jacka
Student Services



STEP – Selective Talent Enrichment Program 2013

We are now seeking expressions of interest from current students. If any current Year 7, 8 and 9 students are interested in joining the STEP, please see Mr Toussaint to discuss the application process.

Damien Toussaint
STEP Coordinator

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.

Library News

As the end of the year is approaching quickly, I would like to remind the school community that students need to keep their ID from 2012 until they receive their new ID card next year. As this doesn't happen until the end of term 1 or the start of term 2, it is important that students have ID for borrowing. I would also appreciate a check at home for overdue library books, students have been given verbal notices in homeroom, and we will be sending letters home. If you have any queries regarding these matters, please contact me on 9337 2488.

Sue Egan
Librarian

Japanese Immersion Camp

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development has been organising a Japanese Language Immersion Camp in October. The camp will provide a language and cultural immersion experience to Years 9 and 10 government school students of Japanese. The students who have been successfully selected as participants are: Huyen Nguyen, Paige Treherne, Patrick Lunney and Dylan Beaconsfield.

Takanori HAYAKAWA

Congratulation to Jack Macumber

Jack Macumber from 8E has received the Prudence Award in the Australian Mathematics Award. This is a brilliant achievement. Fifty students at Rosehill S.C competed in the competition this year. Congratulations to Jack and all of the students who have participated.



LOWES

Lowes started off from humble beginnings of just one small store. Lowes is proudly an all Australian owned and operated family company. They have been wonderful support toward the school fundraising over many years and will continue to be our uniform supplier in the future.

We encourage you to support LOWES and place your orders as soon as possible for the coming summer months to avoid any delays in the new year.

Thankyou to LOWES of Airport West for their continuing support.

Congratulations

A huge congratulations to Marcus Taylor who won the state high jump with a jump of 1.85m to secure the victory and become the first athletics state champion from Rosehill in years. Marcus is in Year 12 and this was a perfect way to top off his last year at Rosehill with a well-deserved State High Jump Medal.

Matthew Sant also competed in the state Athletics in the 17yo and under High Jump. He placed a respectable 5th. Congratulations to both boys for an effort well done.

**Gabriel Sarpa
Sports Coordinator**



Help Needed - Second Hand Book Sale

Do you have any time to spare? Can you assist the parent committee by volunteering for the second hand book sale? If you are able to help out please contact the College on 9337 2488. The times and dates are still to be confirmed.

This service saves many families a great deal of money each year and the College appreciates any support you are able to offer. Many hands make light work. Thank you

Remembrance Day Commemoration Ceremony

The City of Moonee Valley and Essendon RSL Sub Branch would like to extend an invitation to all families to attend the Remembrance Day Commemoration Ceremony on Sunday 11th November 2012, at the Cenotaph in Queens Park, Moonee Pond, commencing at 10.30am. If you would like further details regarding the Ceremony please call Jacqueline Di Giorgio on 9243 8776.

Badges, Bracelets and Pins are available for sale at the General Office to support the Poppy Appeal.



Prices vary between \$2 and \$5.

2nd Hand Uniform

We have many items of the summer uniform available for purchase at a reduced cost, please call Jo on 9331 9639 to check if we have an item in the right size for your child. We have school jumpers, summer dresses, boys summer shirts, shorts and sports uniforms in varying sizes.

We are also thankful for donations of uniforms, these assist many families in the school community, please drop off any items you no longer require to the General Office.

**Jo Jacka
Student Services**

Financial Assistance for Student Travel Passes

Financial Assistance to purchase student travel passes. The Travellers' Aid organization provides no interest loans for the purchase of yearly and half-yearly travel passes for primary and secondary students. Families must be on low income (usually demonstrated by holding a pension or healthcare card). Loans are between \$200 and \$1200 and are repayable over 12 months. If you believe you may be eligible for this scheme please contact Kerry McKay by telephone or email (mckay.kerry.k1@edumail.vic.gov.au) to have a pamphlet posted out to you.

Kerry McKay
Assistant Principal

Rosefest

Rosefest 2012 was a big success. With the weatherman forecasting late showers, fingers and drum sticks were crossed for clear skies. It turned out to be a beautiful day as around 400 students, friends and family enjoyed the sunshine and sweet tunes provided by 80 of Rosehill's finest musicians. The evening finished with our B.O.B (Band of Beginners) bringing the house down with renditions of Wild Thing and Gold On The Ceiling. Special mention must also be made of our Year 12 students, Caroline Pham and Ellie Kerr, in their last performances after six years. Their acoustic renditions of Everlong, Prisoner of Society and Caroline's solo Ocean showed just how far they have come since they first performed as shy year 7s. Special thanks to all the music instrumental staff who guided and jammed with students in rehearsals and on the day. Thank you also to the parents and friends of the school who ran stalls that added to the carnival atmosphere. It was great to see old faces return to the college too whether they were former teachers or students. Of course an event like this doesn't happen without the brilliant students who put in the effort to learn their songs.

Melissa Bonett
Music Coordinator



Children's Mental Health Services

Shaping Children's Mental Health Services in Cities of Melbourne, Yarra, Moreland and Moonee Valley: Inner North West Melbourne Medicare Local, a not-for-profit organisation, invites community members interested in children's mental health, to attend a community engagement forum on Thursday 8 November 2012 between 1-2pm in Parkville. Light refreshments provided. Bookings are essential. For questions or bookings please contact Megan Abbott at INWMML on 9347 1188 or email: megan.abbott@inwmml.org.au

Year 12 Exam Timetable

Year 12 News

- The full year 12 examination timetable is below:

Thursday 1 st November	9:00 am – 12:15 pm English English as a Second Language (ESL)		
Friday 2 nd November	9:00 am – 10:45 am Biology Exam 2	11:45 am – 1:30 pm Further Mathematics Exam 1	

Monday 5 th November		11:45 am – 1:30 pm Further Mathematics Exam 2	3:00 pm – 4:45 pm Psychology Exam 2
Tuesday 6 th November	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday		
Wednesday 7 th November	9:00 am – 10:15 am Mathematical Methods CAS Exam 1	11:45 am – 1:30 pm Product Design & Technology	3:00 pm – 5:15 pm Health and Human Developme nt
Thursday 8 th November	9:00 am – 10:45 am	11:45 am – 2:00 pm Mathemati cal Methods CAS Exam 2	3:00 pm – 5:15 pm Physical Education
Friday 9 th November	9:00 am – 10:15 am Specialist Mathematics Exam 1	11:45 am – 2:00 pm Literature	3:00 pm – 5:15 pm Legal Studies
Monday 12 th November	9:00 am – 10:45 am Accounting Exam 2 Dance	11:45 am – 1:30 pm Studio Arts	3:00 pm – 5:15 pm History: Australian Specialist Mathematic s Exam 2
Tuesday 13 th November	9:00 am – 10:45 am Chemistry Exam 2	11:45 am – 2:00 pm IT: IT Application s	
Wednesday 14 th November	9:00 am – 10:45 am Visual Communicati on & Design	11:45 am – 1:30 pm Physics Exam 2	
Thursday 15 th November	9:00 am – 10:45 am Art		3:00 pm – 5:15 pm Business Manageme nt

Friday 16 th November	9:00 am – 10:45 am Food and Technology	11:45 am – 1:30 pm	3:00 pm – 5:15 pm Geography
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Monday 19 th November	9:00 am – 10:45 am Systems Engineering	11:45 am – 2:00 pm Greek	3:00 pm – 5:15 pm Media
Wednesday 21 st November		11:45 am – 2:00 pm Italian	

Trip to Japan 2013

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 coming 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: _____

