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### CALENDAR Term 4 - 2016

#### Friday 11<sup>th</sup> to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November

Year 11 Exams

#### Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November

Year 12 Graduation Evening  
Mirage Receptions

#### Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November to 2<sup>nd</sup> December

Year 11 to Year 12 (2017) Orientation  
Classes

#### Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November

Year 10 Exams Commence

#### Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> December

Years 7 to 9 Exams

#### Monday 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> December

Year 10 to 11 (2017) Orientation Classes  
begin

#### Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2016

Awards Evening 7pm  
St Bernard's College Auditorium, Essendon

#### Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> December

End of Year Activities

#### Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December

**FINAL – Bus Service**  
**Buses will not operate until Term 1 2017**

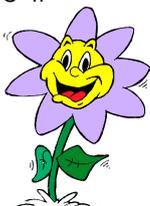
#### Attendance

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**

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to the third newsletter for Term 4. Year 12's have started their exams and most students have been very positive about the level of difficulty and all seem to be coping well. No doubt there will be much celebrating on 18<sup>th</sup> November at the Graduation.

#### Year 9 City School Experience

The week before last our Year 9 students spent the week in the City of Melbourne working on their City Experience projects. We believe that overall their behaviour was excellent and they presented themselves very well in the public domain. A teacher from another school contacted me to let me know that he had been interviewed by a group of students and how nice and polite they were. We get great pleasure when we receive these sorts of comments and we are very proud of our Year 9 students. Congratulations to the Year 9 ID team.

#### Facilities

Admin Upgrade: Finally our project is above ground level and construction works will now move ahead rapidly. We believe that the office staff will be able to move into the new building at the end of February next year when work can commence on the rest of the administration offices.

#### Staffing

Our timetable blocking has been completed for 2017 and we are in the process of interviewing and making teaching appointments. Mr Lee, our Literacy Leading Teacher across the school, is retiring at the start of 2017. We have appointed Ms Jane Geerling as his replacement. Jane is currently an English Key Learning Area Coordinator at a large multicultural school in the Northern Region and we expect her to make a strong contribution to our College in future years.

In terms of Sub-school Leadership there have been some changes. Ms Ann Russell, who has been the Junior Sub-school Leader will move to Senior School and Mr Matthew Hosking will be taking up the role of Junior Sub-school Leader. Both are already key people in the school and we know this will continue. This week we will now be working through the appointment of our Year Level Coordinators. All candidates for these positions are strong.



### Our Vision

At Rosehill, the learner and learning outcomes are central. Our students are inspired to achieve success through stimulating and positive learning environments and innovative and diverse teaching strategies. This is complemented by Respect, Cooperation and Commitment by all members of the school community. New skills, new knowledge and understanding will give our learners the confidence to face the future.

**Rosehill Music CD**

The music department, under the leadership of Ms Stavropoulos, has been working tirelessly to produce a performance CD. The project has involved a large number of students and the final pressings are being made at this very moment. This is an exciting venture and I am looking forward to hearing our students on CD. More details will be released soon on how to purchase a copy.

*Peter Rouse*  
*Principal*

**Junior School Update**

The Junior School Team are currently reviewing the student Interim Report data and will be making contact with students and parents where there is a concern about their child's progress. Discussion will be around monitoring student progress for the rest of the year and discussing their promotion into the next year level.

Year 7 to 9 exams start on Friday 2nd December, concluding on Tuesday 6th December. After exams we will be starting the 'Step-up program for 2017'. This is an orientation program aimed at preparing students for the following year, either in new content or teaching new skills that will assist them in 2017.

Information regarding the end of year activities will be given to students at the start of Week 6.

**Ann Russell**  
**Head of Junior School**

**Library Book Swap**

Keep the dates 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> December free! Add them to your calendar. Mark them in your diary. Get ready for the biggest Book Swap Rosehill Secondary has ever seen!

**So .... How does it work?**



Do you have a book you have enjoyed reading but no longer want to keep? Bring it to our Book Swap and exchange it for another book.

Exchange one book or as many as you like.

If you don't have a book you want to exchange ... no problem! For a coin donation you may take a book.

All money collected during the Book Swap will be donated to a charity nominated by our Student Leadership Team.

Our Year 7 Humanities classes enjoyed a cruise from Southbank to Williamstown, where they engaged in fieldwork on the topic of liveability. The hour long cruise was a highlight for the students as they enjoyed seeing some of our most notable attractions including Crown Casino, the Westgate Bridge, the Exhibition Centre, Polly Woodside, the Docklands and the Port of Melbourne. In Williamstown (a suburb steeped in history) the focus was a walk around the streets identifying liveability factors. Williamstown maintains a strong maritime feel, making it a popular seaside attraction for locals and tourists. Students compared Nelson Place which is geared for tourists to the local shopping strips in Ferguson Street and Douglas Parade. There was plenty to see and enjoy: the parks, shops, restaurants, historic buildings, waterfront mansions and the bay.

**Vicki Handris**



 **Our Values**

**Respect:** Trust, Empathy and Tolerance  
**Initiative:** Accepting Challenges, Developing Leadership  
**Learning:** Powerful, Progressive and Purposeful

## Year 7 Reading Challenge



**Year 7 Reading Champions for 2016**

In the words of one of our students in Year 7, Jayde Jenner, "Reading is fun. It's how I clear my head." To encourage and build on this sentiment, during Terms 2 and 3, all Year 7 students participated in the first Rosehill Secondary College Reading Challenge. Students were placed in reading teams and allocated 10 to 15 minutes of English class time to read books of their own choice. Teams kept a tally of how each of their members were progressing and parents were able to register any books that their child had read at home.

We were delighted with students' response and earlier this term we announced the winners, the Year 7 Reading Champions. These were members of the winning teams and individual students who had read the most books in their class. The individual class winners received a book voucher. They were: Jayde Jenner (7A); Jessica Randall (7B); Claudia Mallia (7C); Brianna Luthaus (7D); Amanda Nguyen (7E); Karthika Pamidimarri (7F); Mustafa Muhammad (7G); Chloe Griffin (7H). Across all classes, we had twenty seven Reading Champions – either team members or individual winners.

Congratulations to all students who supported the Challenge, and thank you to all parents who supported their child's participation in this project. In the words of one of the participants, Karthika Pamidimarri, "This was a fun and exciting challenge for all of us."

**David Lee**  
Literacy Leader

## Year 8 Boys and Girls Volleyball

The Year 8 Boys & Girls Volleyball teams ventured to Geelong on Friday to compete in the Western Region Finals. Some tough opposition included Maribyrnong Sports Academy and Williamstown HS who unfortunately for the girls, were that little bit too good.

They didn't make the finals but represented the school very well and should be proud of their efforts. The boys were also drawn against MSA as well as Sunbury and Copperfield. Winning two of those 3 saw the boys finish on top of their pool and move on to the final where they faced Williamstown HS. From the start, the teamwork and camaraderie shown was first class and the result went accordingly.



In a see-sawing three set match, the boys pulled through, winning 20-14, 17-20, 15-7. They progress to the State Championships on 22<sup>nd</sup> November at the Dandenong Volleyball Centre.

Well Done to both teams and good luck to the boys in the State Finals!

**Mitchell Gaunt**  
Sports Coordinator



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