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CALENDAR



Monday 28th October to 1st November

Year 9 City Week

Friday 1st November

Interim Reports Distributed in Period 4

Tuesday 5th November

Melbourne Cup Day – Public Holiday

Tuesday 12th November

Rosehill's Got Talent 7-9pm MPC

Friday 15th November

Medieval Day (Year 8 Humanities)

Monday 11th to Friday 15th November

Year 11 Examinations

Monday 18th Friday 29th November

Year 11 Orientation to Year 12 Fortnight

Thursday 21st November

VCE Graduation Dinner

Tuesday 26th to Thursday 28th November

Year 10 Exams

Monday 2nd to Friday 6th December

Year 10 Orientation to Year 11 Week

Wednesday 4th to Friday 6th December

Junior School Exams (Years 7 – 9)

Tuesday 10th December

Year 6 to Year 7 Transition Day

Tuesday 17th December

Annual Awards Evening

7.00pm St Bernard's Auditorium

Thursday 19th December

**Reports and Yearbook distributed at
12.15pm – Last Student Day Term 4**

Year 9 City Experience Week

Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November. Year 9 students will be back at Rosehill S.C on Thursday to work on their projects. Best of luck to them all!

Interim Reports

Interim Reports will be distributed to students next Friday to take home and discuss with parents.

Refer to College Website News/Events- Term Dates for further excursion information

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to the second newsletter for Term 4.

Year 12 students

Yesterday we said goodbye to our Year 12 students. They had their breakup festivities early in the morning and we provided them with a sit down lunch in the Year 12 centre. This lunch was a new idea and it provided us and them with an intimate opportunity to say goodbye to everyone. I must congratulate all the students on their behaviour on the day. It was stress free for us and I am sure that they will all go away and use the swot/vac time valuably. Let's hope they all remain fully focused on the upcoming exams. One key message that we pushed was that they remain safe and look after themselves and each other while involved in upcoming activities such as Schoolies. Our next major event with these students is the Graduation Dinner.

New DEECD policies

There has been a large amount of media coverage referring to the Government's plans for education in Victoria over the next few years. We are moving towards some radical changes which I believe will have a lasting impact well into the future. In summary these are the areas:

- A Performance Review Process which would have each Principal identify at least 20% of their staff as underperforming each year.
- A review of teacher training and recruitment processes and the fast tracking of professionals from outside the teaching service into the system.
- The introduction of Private schools within the Government system; ie Public Private schools.
- A review of Principal recruitment with more power given to School Councils in the process.
- New powers for Principals in the dismissal of staff.
- New student engagement guidelines giving principals more power in expelling students.
- Stricter controls on parent behaviour and expectations in schools.

I cannot comment or give my opinions at this stage but there are some very interesting times ahead.

Year 9 City Centre Experience

Next week our Year 9 students will take part in their annual City Experience. They have already worked out their survey questions and had their practice day in the City last Monday. The program gives them the opportunity to learn about Melbourne and become more independent using the Public Transport system. It has many benefits including preparing them for work experience next year.

Peter Rouse
Principal

Attendance

Please return absence letters to the school at your earliest convenience. Year 10 & 11 Absence letters were sent late last term and Year 12 letters sent more recently. It is a Department requirement that Parents acknowledge their child's absences. If you feel the data is incorrect or would like to discuss any aspect of your child's absences/late arrivals please give me a call on 9331 9639.

Second Hand Uniforms

With the changeover to summer uniform recently you may find that you have items of uniform that no longer fit your child, the school would appreciate the donation of these items as it helps many families in the school community.

EMA Applications 2014

Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) forms for 2014 are now available from the General Office.

Your Health Care Card / Pension Card needs to be valid 28th January 2014.

The applications are also available to print from the College Website – www.rosehillsc.vic.edu.au

Visitors to the School – Please Report to the Office

All parents coming to the school are reminded to please report to the General Office, whatever their errand or business. It is not Rosehill Secondary College protocol for parents to go directly to staff work areas. This is an important Occupational, Health and Safety requirement to ensure the safety of all staff and students.

VCE English, EAL & Literature 2014

The online resource list from the school's bookseller has been distributed to all Year 10 & 11 students.

Parents are reminded to complete the form online at www.elandmark.com.au (passcode XW4K) or return the list to the school by Friday 1st November, (spare copies available at the General Office)

This ensures delivery of the English, EAL & Literature novels and resources required for Transition Week and holiday reading.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Approximately twenty-five Year 11 students gave up their time (and blood!) last week as they participated in a blood drive at Airport West Red Cross.

A big thank you to students and staff who participated in giving a life changing gift.

School Sport



Rosehill Secondary College competes in School Sport Victoria competitions at the Moonee Valley (Buckley Park, Essendon Keilor, Mount Alexander, Rosehill and Strathmore) Division, Western Metropolitan Region and State levels, as well as locally arranged inter-school competitions. Next week is a busy week in School Sport for Rosehill students, with competitions at Division and Region levels. We wish the following teams good luck in their matches.

Intermediate Table Tennis

The following students will be representing the school for Table Tennis on Tuesday 29th October. They will be competing in Geelong for the Intermediate Western Zone competition:

Trent McCarthy	James Georgaklis
Najeem Yussuf	Michael Lomax
Chris Pop	Matthew Lomax
Nathan Ray	

Mr Gabriel Sarpa

Junior Rugby

On Tuesday 29th October, Mr Daniel Leaver is taking two teams of Years 7 & 8 boys to Strathmore for an 8-a-side Rugby tournament. The boys preparing their shoulders are:

Eray Yalcin	Kurk Bennett
James Du	Samuel Allan
Jeremyah Gale	Liam Porter
Thomas Simpson	Nick Vadrjal
Simon Do 8I	Nathan He
Thomas Pearson	Jershon Kirufu
Francis Spano	Aiden Utlu
Kelvin Huang	Simon Linh
Tyrese D'Cruz	Lachlan Taylor 8C
Dylan Baker	Ethan Wild 8D
Kyle Dickson	Jakob Grist 8J

Mr Mitchell Gaunt

Junior Girls Basketball

The following girls will be representing RSC on Monday 28th October at the Region:

Brittney Bonner	Nyomi Stowers
Elena Bervanakis	Bridget Harper
Steph Tektonopoulos	Billie Tektonopoulos
Julia Hooke	Emma S
Esther Selway	

Ms Laura Jago

Year 8 Boys Basketball

Our Year 8 Boys are road tripping down to Geelong next Tuesday 29th October for the Western Metro Region Basketball Championships:

Ben Formosa	Liam McBride
Jovan Vrhovcic	Jackson Macsweeney
James Hogg	Sam Warby
Fletcher Haughton	Dean Antony
Nathan Davis	Alex Michael

Mr Kris Blicavs

Taekwondo Champion – Ramazan Bilir

Congratulations to Ramazan Bilir of Year 12 who won a Silver Medal at the recent STA National Taekwondo Championships held in Melbourne. Ramazan was placed second in the Red Open 17 + Division sparring competition.



This follows a successful 2013 where he won Gold at the STA State Championships. Ramazan trains three times per week and is competing at the highest division for his rank. He has been involved in Taekwondo for five years and presently trains with Head Instructor Mesut Kahraman at Power House Taekwondo in Campbellfield. The Club has experienced success with students being selected for the National Team and then progressing to international competitions. Ramazan will be competing in Turkey in 2014 at the Alanya Championships. All points scored at competitions will go towards an international ranking which will help Ramazan achieve his goal to one day represent Australia at the Olympics. We wish Ramazan the very best with his Taekwondo and look forward to hearing about his future successes.

NETBOOK STUDENT SUPPORT CENTRE

Students are encouraged to take their Netbooks to the Student Support Centre next to the Computer Laboratory C1 as soon as possible once there is an issue or fault needing technical support. Times available to students:

8.30am – 8.45am 11.35am – 11.55am
1.15pm – 1.45pm 3.15pm – 3.45pm

Students are not permitted to visit the Student Support Centre during class time. The College owns all student Netbooks and all repairs must be done by the College's Technicians and Netbook supplier.

Lynden Fielding
Assistant Principal

2014 COURSE SELECTION UP-DATE

We anticipate that Confirmations of Subject Allocations will be distributed to students late in November.

We have the largest group of Year 10s approved to do Year 11 Units 1/2 VCE Studies as part of their 2014 Year 10 Program and Year 11s approved to do Year 12 Units 3/4 VCE Studies as part of their Year 11 Program than ever before. This is a good sign of academic strength and reflects a positive trend across our school of students selecting and being approved by their teachers to do accelerated studies.

Applications are now open for students to undertake University Extension Studies in Mathematics in Year 12. Our teacher Mr Abdullah Ford's passion is Mathematics, and he is a provider of Extension Studies for The University of Melbourne. Classes are held afterschool at Rosehill Secondary College on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3.30 pm to 5.00 pm.

Arthur Soumalias
Assistant Principal

Carry On Secondary Education Grants



Carry On (Victoria) helps any member of the Australian Defence Forces or Allied Forces who, at the time of conflict, are Australian citizens resident in Victoria. Assistance can also be provided to the spouse, widow/er and dependent children of the serving member. Support for educational costs can be provided if you meet the above criteria. If you wish to apply for a Secondary Education Grant, please telephone Carry On on 9629 2648. Support can be obtained for fees, books, uniforms and excursions.

National Computer Science School 4th – 13th January 2014

The National Computer Science School (NCSS) brings together talented students for an intensive week of computer programming, web design and robotics at the University of Sydney.

The NCSS is designed for talented computer science, science and mathematics students who will complete Year 11 in 2013. Exceptionally gifted Year 10 students are also encouraged to apply. However, please note that prior knowledge of computing is not assumed.

Students can apply online at www.ncss.edu.au/summer_school, with applications closing on Friday 15th November 2013. The program is heavily subsidized by sponsors. The cost to students is \$400 each. This fee may be waived in cases of financial hardship.

VCE EXAM TIMETABLE

Wednesday 30 October	9.00 am – 12.15 pm		
	English		
	English as an Additional Language (EAL)		
Thursday 31 October	9.00 am – 11.45 am		
	Biology		
Friday 1 November	9.00 am – 11.45 am	3.00 pm – 4.45 pm	
	Psychology	Further Mathematics Exam 1	
Monday 4 November	9.00 am – 10.45 am	3.00 pm – 5.15 pm	
	Further Mathematics Exam 2	Japanese FL	
Tuesday 5 November	Melbourne Cup Public Holiday		
Wednesday 6 November	9.00 am – 10.15 am	11.45 am – 1.30 pm	3.00 pm – 5.15 pm
	Mathematical Methods CAS Exam 1	Product Design and Technology	Health and Human Development
Thursday 7 November	11.45 am – 2.00 pm	3.00 pm – 5.15 pm	
	Physical Education	Mathematical Methods CAS Exam 2	
Friday 8 November	9.00 am – 10.15 am	11.45 am – 2.00 pm	3.00 pm – 5.15 pm
	Specialist Mathematics Exam 1	Literature	VET Interactive Digital Media
		Outdoor and Environmental Studies	

* computer based

Monday 11 November	9.00 am – 10.45 am VET Integrated Technologies Studio Arts	11.45 am – 2.00 pm Accounting	3.00 pm – 5.15 pm History: Australian Specialist Mathematics Exam 2
Tuesday 12 November	9.00 am – 11.45 am Chemistry	3.00 pm – 5.15 pm Legal Studies	
Wednesday 13 November	9.00 am – 11.45 am Physics	3.00 pm – 4.45 pm Visual Communication Design	
Thursday 14 November	9.00 am –10.45 am Art	3.00 pm – 5.15 pm Business Management	
Friday 15 November	9.00 am – 10.45 am Food and Technology	11.45 am – 1.30 pm Music Performance	3.00 pm – 5.15 pm IT: Software Development Vietnamese

Monday 18 November	9.00 am – 10.45 am Systems Engineering	11.45 am – 2.00 pm Greek Japanese SL	3.00 pm – 5.15 pm Media
Wednesday 20 November	11.45 am –2.00 pm Italian	3.00 pm – 5.15 pm Chinese SL Chinese SL Advanced	

***BEST WISHES
TO OUR YEAR 12s
DOING VCE EXAMS***

Best Wishes to our Year 12 VCE Students doing their Examinations



Pictured above: Year 12s on the Oval – Thursday 24 October 2013
Photo: David Copping