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CALENDAR Term 4

Tuesday 17th November

Eurovision Song Contest 6.30pm MPC

Friday 20th November

Year 12 Graduation Evening – 7pm
La Mirage Reception Centre

Monday 23rd to 27th November

Year 10 Exams

Monday 30th November to 4th December

Year 10 to Year 11 (2016) Orientation
Classes begin

Wednesday 2nd to 4th December

Year 7 to Year 9 Exams

Tuesday 8th to Thursday 10th December

Art Exhibition -VCE Centre
Tuesday Evening - 6pm to 8pm
Wednesday and Thursday - 9am to 5pm

Tuesday 15th December

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

Thursday 17th December

End of Term Students dismissed at 12.15pm

Term 1 - 2016

Friday 29th January

First Day – Term1 8.55am Start

Sick Bay and Contact Details

Please ensure contact and emergency details are up to date. If your child is unwell please do not send them to school.

Students should provide their own Panadol for personal use. Small amounts are acceptable in their bags if needed. The College is NOT permitted to provide Panadol to students.



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to the third newsletter for Term 4. Year 12 students are now well into their exams and I am sure they are making their best efforts. Year 11 students begin their exams this coming week and then they will go into a two week orientation program to begin Year 12.

There are two major events coming up on our calendar. One is the Graduation ball on 20th November when we give our final goodbyes to our Year 12's. The other is one week later on November 27th when we have a retirement function for four of our staff: Mr Graeme Schultz, Ms Bruna Pomella, Ms Carol Brewster and Mr Michael Large. All have made a wonderful contribution to education over the years.

The Education State

Over the last few weeks the Department of Education has been releasing press statements about Victoria being "The Education State".

During the week I was required to attend a forum to hear more about the initiatives and priorities set by the current Government. Four main priorities have been identified:

- Excellence in teaching and learning
- Professional Leadership
- Positive climate for learning
- Community engagement in learning

Targets have been set under an umbrella term "Learning for Life". These targets are fairly simple to understand, but more difficult to achieve:

- More students develop strong critical and creative thinking skills,
- More students excel in reading.
- More students excel in mathematics.
- More students excel in the Arts.
- More students excel in Science.

Another area targeted for improvement is the number of students staying in education. As I stated in the last newsletter our retention rates at Rosehill are far higher than state averages so we are well ahead with regards to this area.

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The Government put in place new funding models to support schools in achieving the targets but this has meant no extra funding for us. Nevertheless, we have already put many strategies in place to improve student outcomes in line with the targets and these are reflected in our current Strategic Plan. A positive is that there are greater resources poured into each of the regions and there will certainly be more support for schools coming from the Regional Offices.

The Victorian Curriculum

Having a strong and engaging curriculum is important for all students. The Department has now introduced the Victorian Curriculum and we are at the early stages of dissecting this. Much of the work we have already done in AUSVELS aligns with the new Curriculum but there will still be a great deal of effort required during 2016 for its introduction in 2017.

Facilities

Work has begun on the building of new locker bays as we prepare for the renovations to the remainder of the B-Block corridor over the summer holidays. This is the continuation of a project which we began planning in 2014 and I am pleased to say it is the last part before completion. We will then focus on future improvements to our facilities.

School Council

The Rosehill College Council met two weeks ago. The Finance Subcommittee had met and approved a new Parent Payment Policy in line with the latest Government requirements. Fortunately we had been complying with the regulations in most areas, so from a parent perspective you will see little change in our processes. This is a result of the Auditor General's office advising the Department of Education to develop more consistency across schools and to make the payments more transparent.

*Peter Rouse
Principal*

VCE Graduation Dinner 2015

Friday 20th November

6.30 pm – 12.00 midnight

La Mirage Reception Centre

210 Hume Highway, Somerton

Year 12 Students \$60, Guests \$85

Childrens Meal (under 12) \$40

Three course meal with beer, wine and soft drink provided.

Tickets available at the General office

On Monday 19th October the Year 8 Cricket team travelled to Geelong for the 'T20 Milo Blast' Cricket Tournament. The event attracts a number of State and Private schools from Melbourne's west and the Geelong area. The games involve a modified version of cricket where all players are given the opportunity to bat, bowl and wicket keep.

The boys come up against some tough opposition to start, competing against last year's champions from St Joseph's College. Despite some solid batting from Nouman Shah and good bowling from the captain Tyson Cardamone the boys went down to the St Joseph's side.

The Year 8 Cricketers played two more games which they were unlucky to lose. Max Pudebat and Campbell Walsh were standouts with the ball, while Abhiram Thambi and Michael Jones batted well in each of the games.

I'd like to thank all the boys for the enthusiasm and sportsmanship throughout the day. I'm sure with continuing practice in this format of cricket we can be successful in coming years.

William Stubbings



VU Sports Camp

**TWO COOL WEEKS
IN A LONG HOT
SUMMER**

11-15 AND 18-22 JANUARY 2016

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ASX Sharemarket Game 2015

Students in the Year 8 Money for Life class participated in the national sharemarket trading game run by the ASX. To play the game students receive a virtual \$50,000 to invest over a 10 week period, in 200 listed companies. The prices students buy and sell at, are the same prices as they would get in the real market. It has been a rollercoaster ride this time round and students have seen first-hand the risk of investing in the sharemarket.

Congratulations to Arber Fazliu, who finished 77th out of 16,337 syndicates from Australia and New Zealand, and 17th in Victoria. Arber was an extremely keen and competitive participant who checked his portfolio daily. Three syndicates battled it out for a very closely contested second place with the lead changing frequently. It was Craig Findlay and Kyle Di Pastena who managed to outsmart their rivals, Callum Houghton, Kaleb Crowe and Lucas De Wit by only \$226!

Nellie Harboud



ROSEHILL SECONDARY
COLLEGE

EUROVISION SONG CONTEST

Location: MPC

Date: Tuesday 17th of November

Time: 6:30pm

FREE ENTRY!!!

Please join us on this night to support the year 7 & 8 performance study classes, as all individual group choreographed and worked on their performances really hard!



Blue Day fundraiser for Youth Beyond Blue

The Year 8 student leaders did a great job baking cup cakes and cookies, busking and organising a casual clothes day to raise money for Youth Beyond Blue. They also presented to the Year 8's and gave an overview of mental illness and what services are out there to get help. Overall we raised \$1206.50!

We distributed cards to all of the Year 8's at assembly that have information about where to get help for anxiety and depression. The Blue wrist bands we gave out to the students who came to the bake sale are a good reminder of how to access help.

The Year 8 student leaders: Mikayla Watt, Rhys Marks, Vivian Lieu, Tom Coombes, Aahid Mohideen, Bronte Edwards, Lejla Krupic, Lauren Grech, Stephanie Panagiotidis.

Thankyou to everyone for their support!

Annette Ellis
Assistant Year 8
Coordinator



THINK.

FOR THE LOVE OF IMAGINATION

ROSEHILL SECONDARY COLLEGE ART EXHIBITION
FEATURING YEAR 7-10 & VCE VISUAL ART & DESIGN WORK

OPENING NIGHT TUESDAY 8TH, DECEMBER	6PM - 8PM
WEDNESDAY 9TH, DECEMBER	9AM - 5PM
THURSDAY 10TH, DECEMBER	9AM - 5PM

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LOCATION:
ROSEHILL ROAD, MIDDIE
YEAR 12 VCE CENTRE



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Year 8 Public Speaking Competition

On Monday 19th October, the first round of the Year 8 Public Speaking Competition was held in the College library. Ten students, each of them selected to represent their home group, addressed an audience of approximately 170 of their peers and teachers. Their task was to persuade their audience to their point of view on an issue of their choice. Students spoke on issues of current and public significance, including:

- The need of the justice system to address violence against women
- The impact of bullying
- Gun laws
- The damage caused by racism

The judges, Ms McKay and Ms Russell, had a challenging task to identify the winners in such a strong field. First prize was awarded to Lejla Krupic who spoke powerfully against racism. Second place went to Rhys Marks, and equal third place getters were Tom Coombes and Isabella Petrovski. The other finalist were: Monica Wild, Olivia Watson, Perri Robinson, Vivian Lieu, Madison Raynor, and Kevin Lee.

All students who participated are to be congratulated for the high quality of their speeches, and the enthusiasm with which they participated.



Isabella Petrovski at the podium.

David Lee
Literacy Coordinator

Junior Debating Team

Congratulations to the Junior Debating Team who competed and won against Penleigh and Essendon Grammar School on Tuesday 27th October. The following students articulated a confident and very persuasive argument that won them the debate: Sarah McNabb, Monica Wild and Madeline Miles. The topic of the debate was "All secondary students should learn an Asian Language". We were the affirmative. The final junior debate for the year will be held at Ave Maria College, on Tuesday 10th November at 7pm.

Miss Hayes
Debating Co-ordinator

VOLARE 2 ITALIAN TEXTBOOK BUY BACK – YEAR 10

The Languages department requires the Volare 2 textbook currently being used in Year 9 and 10 Italian classes, as it is now out of print.

If you wish to sell the textbook to the school it must be in good condition at the buy-back price of \$10.00.

Year 10 Italian students who are not currently using their Volare 2 textbook can return it (and the form below) to their Italian teacher by the end of November.

Students who are still using the textbook this semester can give the Volare 2 textbook and the form below to their Italian teacher by the end of Term 4.

Please complete the form below and return it to your child's Italian teacher so that we can organise a cheque to be sent home.

Thank you for your support.

Takanori Hayakawa
Languages KLA leader

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ROSEHILL SECONDARY COLLEGE

VOLARE 2 TEXTBOOK BUY-BACK - \$10

Student Name_____

Address_____

Parent Signature_____

Date_____

Approved T.Hayakawa_____



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BYOD – Bring Your Own Device

Students in Years 10 & 11 have 2 options: students please note that to bring a new device to school you must return your school owned netbook first.

1. Return their school provided netbook and buy a recommended device through the parent portal which has been set up through JB HIFI or buy direct from an independent store.
2. Return their Netbook and bring a suitable device from home if they already have one.

It is expected that students in Year 10 and 11 will have the opportunity to change to BYOD during term 4 2015.

The JB BYOD Portal can be found at www.ibeducation.com.au/byod and the school code will be Rosehill2016.

The devices offered by JB cannot be purchased retail and are especially chosen for their durability and suitability for education use.

It will be an expectation before students can enter the BYOD program they must read the conditions and expectations of the device usage. These expectations can be read in the Rosehill Secondary College Linxu Bring Your Own Device handbook. These handbooks will be distributed upon request to enter the BYOD program. The Acceptable Use policy must also be completed and submitted before any device is placed on the school network. This policy will also be distributed with the handbook.

Mrs Smart

Second Hand Book Sales

The last three years has seen a growth in internet based sales programs for second hand school items including text books, stationery and uniforms. Following are 2 sites that can be used to purchase items.

Clk2sell

clk2sell app – a fast way for parents to buy and sell second hand uniforms.

Last year State Schools' Relief launched clk2sell – a smartphone solution to buy and sell second-hand school uniforms. With the new term and season change, it's a great time to upload and sell those unwanted uniform items.

For more information about this resource go to www.clk2sell.com or email info@clk2sell.com.

Sustainable School Shop



The Sustainable School Shop offers Annual Subscriptions to Rosehill parents. You will need to nominate the College when you register on the Sustainable School Shop website to activate your Annual Subscription.

The service will provide access **all year round** to second-hand: **textbooks, uniforms, calculators, musical equipment and other items**. Parents can even trade with other parents from different schools and sell items no longer in use at our College or other previously attended schools. The website is simple and easy to use - www.sustainableschoolshop.com.au.

All your enquiries can be directed to the **Sustainable School Shop on: 1300 683 337**.

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