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### CALENDAR

**Term 1 Dates – 29<sup>th</sup> January to 4<sup>th</sup> April**

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February**

**Swimming Carnival – Coburg Olympic Pool**

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February**

**Year 7 Getting To Know You Evening  
6.15pm – Year 12 Centre**

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February**

**VCE Year 12 Information Evening pm**

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February**

**Year 7 & 10 Vaccinations  
Year 9 Boys Vaccinations**

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March**

**School Photos – Full uniform Compulsory**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March**

**Labour Day Public Holiday**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March**

**Parent Teacher Interview - Bookings Open**

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March**

**Year 7 Camp**

### General Office Hours

**Monday-Friday 8.30 am – 3.30 pm**

### EMA 2013

### Education Maintenance Allowance Applications

Holders of a healthcare valid as of 29<sup>th</sup> January 2014 are reminded to please submit application forms to the General Office as soon as possible.

**Applications close 28th February 2014.  
Late applications will not be accepted by DEECD. A copy of the Healthcare card is required with the application.  
A NEW APPLICATION IS REQUIRED EVERY YEAR.**

### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to the second newsletter for 2014. Students have settled well into their classes and are becoming well known to their teachers. Many are still finding a place they can call their own in the school yard and many are dealing with the new friends they are making. The hot weather has meant that not as many students are using the oval for sport as we would like but this will change eventually and the population will spread out.

Coupled with the new students getting used to the school is parents getting used to pick up areas in the neighbourhood. Please obey all traffic and parking signs as the Council and Police will hold blitzes without warning. There is more information contained further on in this newsletter.

#### Video Conferencing

This morning we held our first Video Conferencing session with our three classes of Year 11 Biology students. They were studying marine ecosystems and were linked up with an underwater diver from Townsville. The diver was submerged with camera and sound gear in giant tanks of coral and marine life and he spoke to our students about coral, how it grows and the environment it needs to grow in. He was able to hear and answer student questions from underwater while we observed him moving inside the tank and showing us the marine life. This is exciting as it marks the start of a new era of educational learning at Rosehill. The world is our oyster.

#### Ms Egan

After just over 20 years at Rosehill Secondary College, and over 40 years with the Education Department, Sue Egan, our Head Librarian has decided to hang up her boots and cataloguing skills and retire. She has witnessed many changes over the years at the school and in the world of school libraries as we move into a new era of Internet Research, E-books and Netbooks. We wish her all the best and I know she will continue with activities that will challenge her intellectually. The College is holding a retirement function for her on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> of February in our VCE centre. If you are interested please contact the office for details.

*Peter Rouse  
Principal*



## School Uniform

Students have started the year very well and are looking extremely smart in their uniforms. Unfortunately a small number of students/parents seem to be confused about the requirement that shoes be "plain, black leather". While most students are wearing black shoes, there are a number of students, mainly boys, wearing shoes which are canvas, or have mesh, reflective or colored sections. The edging of the soles, along with the shoe laces, must also be black. Plain black leather 'Vans' or 'Cons' are acceptable. High-tops are not permitted, even if leather.

Coordinators and teachers have been instructed to punish students who are wearing inappropriate shoes, as the requirements have been made very clear to all parents and students. Parents are asked to cooperate with this policy so that we can concentrate on our core business; teaching and learning, without the distractions of uniform issues.

It is important that students' uniform items be labeled clearly with their name. We collect a large amount of lost uniform items which are not named, and therefore cannot be returned to their owners. During the forthcoming vaccination and photograph days, students are asked to remove their jumpers and often put them down in the Library or ECA during the vaccination/photo. There is often confusion when clothing is un-named, as students can pick up the wrong item. If your child's clothing is un-named, please address this as soon as possible.

**Kerry McKay**  
Assistant Principal

## Parking Around The College

Complaints have been received regarding parents parking at Essendon Private Hospital. The hospital has asked that we promote their carpark as a "No Parking Zone". The carpark is for the use of patients, staff & consulting doctors only.



Irresponsible parking practices are not only placing students in danger but are also teaching them bad habits. If you are picking up of an afternoon, please encourage students to walk and meet you in adjoining streets. This not only encourages fitness but you may actually find it is faster than being blocked in and unable to go anywhere in a congested street.

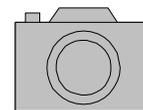
Please show consideration to the College neighbours, other traffic and most importantly to students of the College.

Please pay attention to "NO Standing" areas. Fines will be issued by Moonee Valley City Council.



## School Photographs

School photographs will take place on Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> March. Students have been issued with the order envelope. Students who wish to order photographs must bring the envelope with them on the morning of **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March**, with the correct money in the envelope or credit card details recorded on the envelope. Students will hand their envelope directly to the photographer as they have their individual portraits taken. Envelopes should not be taken to the General Office or given to the home room teachers.



Students who choose not to purchase photographs will still have individual and class photographs taken. All students are required to wear correct summer uniform including correct shoes.

**Kerry McKay**  
Assistant Principal

## Year 7 Camp

The Year 7 camp will be on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March. All payments for camp are due to be finalised by Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

## Attendance

Please contact the Absence Line directly on **9331 9639** if your child is absent or reply with an acknowledgement if you receive a text message from the school.

The Department of Education requires parents to acknowledge all absences. Please do not hesitate to contact me to discuss on 9331 9639.



**Carmel White**  
Student Services

**IT'S NOT OK  
TO BE AWAY**

## Vaccinations

The first round of vaccinations will take place on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February. Year 7 students (boys included) and Year 9 boys will receive the HPV vaccine, whilst all Year 10s will have the Boosterix vaccine (Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis/whooping cough). Due to Council shortage the Chickpox vaccine will be administered in April. Cards have been distributed to students, along with an information pamphlet about HPV. Students are required to return their signed cards even if they are not having the vaccinations. Card must be returned as soon as possible.



## Work Experience – Year 10

A reminder to students and parents that work experience forms are due in by Friday 28th February. In some cases students are still applying for positions or waiting for responses. If this is the case please let your ID teacher know or see Ms Young in the Year 11 Centre. If you are having difficulty finding a placement please make an appointment with Ms Young.

It is important that work experience is finalised early as there are many schools that do work experience at the same time and the later you leave it the less likely you are to find an employer.

**Bernadette Young**  
Careers

## Library News

Students in Years 8-12 should retain their Library ID card from last year until they are issued with a new one. This will not happen until at least the end of Term 1. After they receive their new card, it is a good idea to retain the old card as an emergency ID. Year 7 students and other students new to the school are able to borrow without a card until one is issued. **Students who have outstanding items from last year are not able to borrow until these materials have been returned.**



## Education Resource Charge

A reminder to parents that the Material and Resource charge is now due.

Year 7 – 10	\$200
Year 11 – 12 VCE	\$250
Year 11 – 12 VCAL	\$100

This charge covers School diaries, Locker hire, Library ID Card, School Magazine. For VCE students it also covers motivational speakers. This amount or \$100 deposit (Yr 7 – 10) or \$150 deposit (Yr 11 -12) and full payment for VCAL is due. Lockers have already been issued to students and diaries will be distributed once payment has been made. Diaries were distributed. Padlocks are not included in this fee and can be purchased separately for \$22.00.

Gym Sac are also available for \$6 and have been distributed to students who have paid this fee.

Parents facing extreme financial hardship can make alternative arrangements by contacting the Business Manager

## Past Art Students

"Notice to all Past Art students:

Students will have one week to collect their Art work from 2013 and work from the 'Fabula Exhibition'. After this the art department will be cleared out to make room for the new awesome work of 2014. Students are asked to collect at lunchtimes and after school, any other time you will be turned away."

"Student work currently on display will not be taken down, we will notify you in the future for collection."

Thanks!

**Joanna Wiltshire**  
Visual Arts Teacher

## Parent Workshops – Drummond Street Family Services

Drummond Street Family Services is a well-known and respected provider of training and counseling for families. They are currently offering workshops on the following topics which may be of interest to families:

- Making Step-Families Work
- Raising happy, healthy kids
- Parenting children who worry too much
- Tantrums and tiaras

If you are interested in enrolling for any of these workshops, please email Kerry McKay at [mckay.kerry.k1@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:mckay.kerry.k1@edumail.vic.gov.au) for further details, or contact her by telephone to request a flyer.

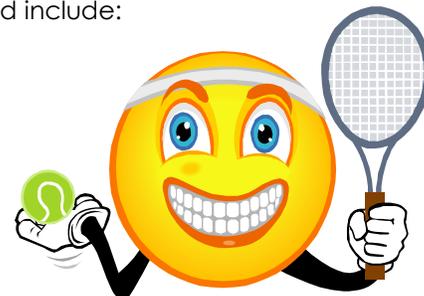
**Kerry McKay**  
Assistant Principal

## Senior Tennis

Congratulations to our senior boys and senior girls tennis teams who were successful in beating the local schools of our area. Our teams produced some amazing tennis skills and showed a high level of determination during all games. The Rosehill tennis players displayed excellent sportsmanship and are very worthy winners.

The players involved include:

Jesse Eddy  
Peter Kovac  
James Georgaklis  
Tatiana Sagi  
Zoe Muller  
Souraya Ellaz  
Selin Eraltay



**Thank You**  
**Mr Michael Sioukas**

## Italy Tour

Support the Italy Tour Program at Rosehill Secondary College. The 2014/2015 Greater Melbourne Entertainment™ Books will be available at the General Office in Term 2. Pre-orders are welcome.

The Entertainment™ Book is your guide to the best restaurants, hotel accommodation, attractions, sports and leisure activities...all with 25% to 50% off or 2 for 1 offers. Plus, My Bookings™... Compare rates, check availability and book your accommodation online.

The sample book with all its great offers will soon be available to be viewed at the General office.



## Japanese Exchange Program 2014

Once again Rosehill is seeking host families for 10 Japanese students from our sister school, Kogakkan High School. The students will be in Melbourne for approximately 14 days from the last week of July to the first week of August.

The exchange program between Kogakkan High School and Rosehill Secondary College has been running for more than 10 years and has been very rewarding for students and families alike. During previous trips to Japan, Rosehill students have had the opportunity to catch up with students they hosted in Australia.

If you are interested in hosting a student, please return the slip to Mrs Smart or Mr Hayakawa. If you would like additional information about the homestay program such as how much money is provided and what needs to be covered, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Takanori HAYAKAWA

### Homestay Program

I would like to host a Japanese student for approximately two weeks.

PARENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

TUTOR GROUP: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

PETS OWNED: NO ( ) YES ( )

There is/are a smoker/s in my family NO ( )  
YES ( )

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

