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CALENDAR

Friday 7th March

School Photos – Full Uniform Compulsory

Monday 10th March

Labour Day Public Holiday

Thursday 20th March

Years 7 to 11

Interim Reports Distributed by post with Parent Teacher Booking instructions.

Friday 21st March

Parent Teacher Interview - Bookings Open

Wednesday 26th March

Italian Tour Meeting 6pm
General Staffroom

Tuesday 1st April

**Students NOT required for classes
Parent / Teacher Interviews
1pm to 5pm & 6pm to 8pm**

Wednesday 26th to Friday 28th March

Year 7 Camp

Monday 31st March

**Bookings close at 12pm Sharp.
STRICTLY NO Bookings will be accepted
after this time.**

Tuesday 1st April

**Students NOT required for classes
Parent / Teacher Interviews
1pm to 5pm & 6pm to 8pm**

Friday 4th April

Last Day of Term
Students dismissed at 2.30pm

General Office Hours

Monday-Friday 8.30 am – 3.30 pm

Term Dates

Term 1 29th January to 4th April
Term 2 22nd April to 27th June
Term 3 14th July to 19th September

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

We have been blessed over the last two weeks with a minimum of hot weather and this has made the classroom and ground conditions much more comfortable for our students.

Information evenings

Over the last two weeks we have held two information evenings, one for our Year 12 parents and one for our Year 7 parents. Both evenings were well attended and even though each meeting had a different focus to suit the different age groups one thing that was common was the connectedness that we felt with the parents and the level of appreciation that we received from them for our efforts. In amongst the daily running of a large school and the many issues that we deal with it is wonderful when we get a pat on the back from parents. This is true of all people no matter what area of society they work in and those parents who run businesses with apprentices or manage teams of people will know the power of positive reinforcement.

Buses and traffic around the school

On Monday of this week Mr Soumalias and I met with a group of neighbours and representatives from the Council to discuss traffic issues around the school, especially in relation to Ida and Albert Streets. The residents, as we are, are worried about the safety of the students as well as that of members of their families. The congestion caused by traffic has grown and buses are having more difficulty getting through. The bus company meets regularly with the Council and they are aware of the concerns and will raise the issues at the next meeting.

It is not just traffic related to the school causing problems, but that related to unit developments, the amount of flow through traffic caused by drivers avoiding Keilor Rd and the fact that there are to other schools located in the area behind our College. The Council is looking at a range of solutions. From my perspective I advise all parents to:

- Obey parking restrictions
- Do not break the road rules
- Do not park across the driveways of residents
- Do not drop students off whilst parked in driveways
- Have your children walk some way to meet you in a pickup area well away from the College

The other issue is the number of students wanting to use the 475 Kastoria bus that comes at 3.25 into Ida St heading towards Keilor Rd. We are giving the school community notice that the crowding caused on this bus is now at a dangerous level. A priority card system is in place and these students will have a place on the bus. Students without a card may miss out when the bus is at capacity. 10

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The next bus comes 10 minutes later. Students and parents will need to accept this fact. We also encourage students to walk to Keilor Rd which takes about 12 minutes. Please contact Mr Soumalias if you wish to get more information about how to obtain a Priority Card.

The other option is for students who are travelling to East Keilor or Milleara Mall is to simply walk to Buckley St where they can catch either the Smart Bus or the Ryan's Bus that goes to Keilor Park. These buses actually run more frequently and the Council has built a safety underpass under Buckley St for students to avoid the traffic. Please discuss these issues with your children.

Peter Rouse
Principal

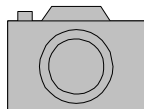
School Photographs

A reminder that school photographs will be taken next Friday, 7th March 7th. All students will be photographed irrespective of whether they are ordering photographs or not. Students need to be in correct uniform (Students not in correct uniform will not be included in the class photograph).

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 7th 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.**

Photographs are usually delivered to the college towards the end of Term 1.

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.

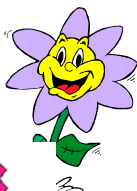


Kerry McKay
Assistant Principal

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**

Work Experience – Year 10

A reminder to students and parents that work experience forms are due. 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

Hot Shots Schools Competitions Winner



Have you ever seen Year 8 and 9 students improve their bowling skills in a hurry? Buckley Park Bowls Club witnessed this at its inaugural Top Shot Schools competition held recently on Thursday afternoons. Commencing with an introducing skills session by our Community Development officer (CDO) Paul Holtschke in October. The remaining four weeks were dedicated to competition play. Three local schools in St. Bernard's College, Rosehill Secondary College and Essendon Keilor College competed for the trophy.

Each school provided three teams for a two bowl triples format.

The four weeks of competition proved to be a happy and competitive experience for students and volunteers alike. We must say that all who participated conducted themselves in an extremely positive manner, with lots of laughter and encouraging chatter. There were lots of positive comments from the students such as, 'what an awesome game', 'I am definitely playing again next year'.

The final result was St Bernard's College with 7½ wins, Rosehill Secondary College with 6½ wins and Essendon Keilor College with 6 wins. A perpetual trophy was presented to winners St. Bernard's College.

Buckley Park Bowling Club was extremely thankful for the help and support given by CDO Paul Holtschke.

Article taken from: The Shot Bowls Victoria - Issue 17th January 2014 The Shot Bowls Victoria

Junior News

Thank you to all our Year 7 parents who attended our parent night on the 20th February 2014. It was great to meet our parents and hear about how the start to the year has been for our new families. We are really pleased with how our Year 7's have settled in and look forward to working with our Year 7 families.

Last Monday we had Greg from ACMA speak to all our Year 7 students regarding how to be cyber smart and safe on the internet. I hope that your child spent some time discussing this information with you.

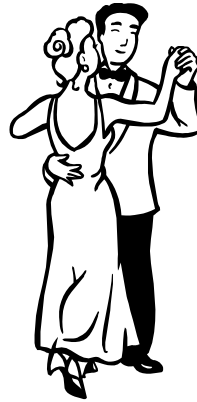
Coming events include:- Year 7 Camp to Forrest Edge – 26th to 28th March ; Year 8 humanities students will be attending Medieval Day; Year 9's will be participating in the Year 9 Carnival, which is part of their ID program. Year 7 students and Year 11 peer support leaders will be taking part in Think Fest carnival later this term.

Next week Year 8 students will be given a letter asking for their 'Expression of Interest' in attending Year 8 camp to Lady Northcote, near Bacchus Marsh. We ran this camp last year and found the camp site, staff and facilities to be fantastic and would like to attend again. More information will be sent home soon.

Ann Russell
Junior School Leader



Year 11 Debutant Ball



Year 11 Debutante Ball 2014

Date: Friday 5th September

Practice sessions will run on Tuesdays from the 22nd July-2nd September from 4.30-6pm.

Payment for girls (\$370) must be made by Monday 17th March (first 35 girls to pay only will be accepted)

For more information call Heidi Bowles on 9337 2488

Membership Drive Essendon Bowls Club

Buckley Park Bowls Club is offering incentives to students who choose to join their club.

The incentives offered are as follows

- Free membership
- Club uniform supplied
- Bowls supplied
- Waiving of pennant Green fees
- Coaching by arrangement with certifies coaches
- Students accepting our proposal would be expected to be available for a minimum of 10 Pennant games per season and retain membership for a period of 2 years.

Please contact Mr Jym Teal on 9375 2522 for further details or to enquire about the Scholarship program offered.

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

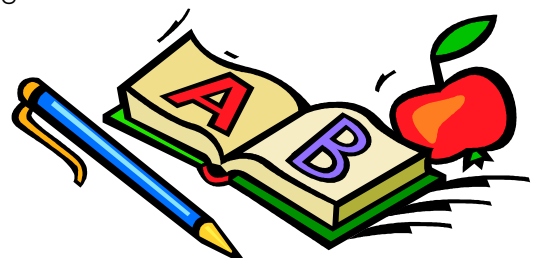
Year 11 – 12 VCAL \$100


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. Padlocks are not included in this fee and can be purchased separately for \$22.00.

Gym Sacs 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.





EAST KEILOR FOOTBALL CLUB
Season 2014
JUNIOR PLAYERS
REQUIRED
10's - 12's
14's & 16's
Auskick
call Geoff Nicholl 0417 362 775
For further information go to
www.eastkeilorfc.com
Strengthening your Community.
More than just a club!
OVERLAND RESERVE, PARKSIDE AVE, EAST KEILOR

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.



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: _____

