Welcome to the second last newsletter for Term 2. We are about to move into the exam phase of the semester and hopefully all our students are now revising thoroughly. Year 12’s will sit the GAT next week. This is the first year that the Year 12’s have not had mid-year exams. The negative is that some subjects will have more intense end of year exams, but the positive is that they won’t lose the three lessons due to exams being held.

An Election In The Air
Principals always know when an election is coming up. Politicians are contacting us and wanting to meet. I have had two make approaches in the last two weeks: our local Victorian member seeking information about buildings and facilities and what support we have had from the current Government, and Bill Shorten has invited John Walsh, our School Council President and I to a meeting at his office next week. Interesting times. All I want is for all politicians to give education the priority it deserves and provide us the resources needed to give our students the best possible education in the best possible environment.

College Values
Over the next 12 months we will be working on the implementation of a School Wide Positive Behaviour Program which is designed to renew our Discipline process across the College. Schools that have adopted this process have seen large improvements in student behaviour that provided benefits for all members of the school community. As part of this process we will be looking at our three College Values: Learning, Initiative and Respect. We will be asking the following questions:

- What does each value mean?
- What does each value look like at Rosehill Secondary College?
- Are the values still relevant?
- Is there anything missing?

We will be asking all sectors of the community to answer these questions including parents. More information will be distributed over the next few months.

Cabaret
You will see in this newsletter lots of photos from the Funky Rose Café Music evening. What a great show! Our next production is the dance cabaret with its circus theme: Circus Du Rose. Ms Mortellaro assures me it will be one of the best shows she has done and she has been blown away by the multi talents of our students. I urge as many parents to get on board as possible and come and see the show. It will be running for three evenings early next term.

Sue Egan
Principal’s Report Continued

Picking up students
We are getting a growing number of parents contacting the office asking for students to be removed early from class so they can be picked up without warning. Given that the school has now over 1100 students and is spread out over a large area it is creating a lot of work for our office staff and taking them away from other duties. We are happy to help in cases of emergency but I urge parents to prearrange pick up times with the students and put a note in the diary so the student already knows to come to the office at a specific time. “Call up” announcements will not be made during class time as this causes continuous disruptions during class time for all students. Parents will be asked to wait until the student can be contacted.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Peter Rouse
Principal

Return of Excursion Permission Slips
Students MUST return excursion permission forms prior to the scheduled excursion. Slips must be returned with payment. Students will be refused attendance to any excursion if a written note has not been supplied. Verbal consent is not satisfactory and students cannot request that the office call parents for permission. This is a legal issue as all permission slips are to be retained as proof of approval. Students will be sent to an alternative class for the duration of the excursion.

Personal Goods Brought To College At Own Risk

Personal property is often brought to school by students, staff and visitors. This can include mobile phones, electronic games, calculators, toys, musical instruments, sporting equipment, and cars parked on school premises.

The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development does not hold insurance for personal property brought to schools and it has no capacity to pay for any loss or damage to such property.

Staff and students are discouraged from bringing any unnecessary or particularly valuable items to school.

Sapphire Street Congestion

Could Parents/Carers please consider parking in alternative streets rather than congesting Sapphire Street. There is current demolition and building works happening opposite the school which is causing terrible congestion during, before and after pick up times. We anticipate these works may continue over several months. It is suggested for the safety of students that Sapphire Street be avoided where possible.

Student Diaries

There are still a number of students who are not equipped as required with a College Student Diary. The diary is issued to Years 7 - 9 students on the full payment of 2013 fees or a part payment of $100; for Years 10 - 12 students at least $125 of the 2013 fees must be paid for the diary to be issued.

Student diaries are one of the essential tools for successful learning at Rosehill. They are also meant as an important communication avenue for communication between parents and teachers.

Use of the diary includes recording extension and redemption dates, failure to submit homework and assignments for completion, as well as detention dates and times, out of uniform details and passes to the library and toilet or to see other teachers. The diary is also used to record positive aspects of a student’s progress, academically and socially.

Students are required to take their diary to Home Group meetings at the beginning of each school day and to all classes. They are expected to produce it when requested by teachers. Students record their homework and special requirements for each day in their diary and they plan the completion of assignments over time.

Rosehill’s student diaries have important information specific to our school, as well as general pages, including College policies relevant to our students e.g. Student Code of Conduct, Homework and Study Requirements, and guides to planning and revision.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in ensuring that your child / children are equipped with this important item for successful learning.

It is expected that all students have a diary when semester 2 studies begin from Monday 24th June 2013.

Lynden Fielding
Assistant Principal

Year 8 Camp

Year 8 Camp will be running this year at Lady Northcote Recreational Camp in Rowsley near Bacchus Marsh. The dates for the camp are Monday 26th to Wednesday 28th August.

The cost of the camp is $305 and there are only 70 places available so make sure you register by paying your deposit of $100 at the General Office as soon as possible.

If you have any queries about the camp contact the Year 8 Coordinator, Mr Martens.
We are now at the business end of the term and next week our Junior School Students start their Mid-Year Exams. Our Year 7 Students may feel some nerves about their first set of exams. To assist all students in their revision we have handed an exam and study booklet to help them in their preparation. We ask that Parents sit down with their child and discuss some of the key ideas in the exam and study booklet. Students need to try their best, but it is important to remember that exams are used as training for students so they are confident in this process when they reach VCE.

On Friday 14th June students will not be required at school as teachers have a Report Writing Day. It is important that before that date students all check with their teachers if they have any outstanding work and ensure that it is submitted.

Congratulations to the Year 7s on their excellent behaviour during the Reach Foundation program on Tuesday. Thanks to Ms Hughes for organising the event. The presenters were pleased with our students behaviour and participation.

Mr Martens our Year 8 Coordinator has sent out a flyer to all Year 8s about the Camp. There are a limited number of spots so interested students need to collect their form from the Junior School Office and pay their deposit as soon as possible.

The Junior School would like to wish all of our students the best of luck in their up and coming exams.

Ann Russell
Junior School Coordinator

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### Personal Hygiene in the Food Technology Kitchen

A reminder for parents and students, that due to Health and Safety regulations students are not permitted to wear nail polish or artificial nails in Food Technology production classes. Your cooperation in this matter would be most appreciated.

Students in Years 7-10 are only allowed to heat up food at lunch in the Food Technology room in Terms 2 and 3.

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### Italy Tour

Support the Italy Tour Program at Rosehill Secondary College. The 2013/2014 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 can be viewed at the General office.

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### DHS Scholarships

**CURRENT YEAR 10 AND 11 STUDENTS**

The Department of Human Services (DHS) is offering education scholarships worth $1,100 each for eligible students who are continuing their secondary school education in 2014. To be eligible students must live in social housing, that is public or community-managed housing, or be at risk of homelessness, and attend a Victorian government school or a Victorian TAFE institute. Students need to be enrolled in Years 11 or 12 or the equivalent at TAFE in 2014. If you think you/your child may be eligible, please contact Kerry McKay as soon as possible. Applications must be submitted before June 28th (the last day of term.)

Kerry McKay
Assistant Principal
**Handy Hints for Improving Learning**

**No.11 Help them to build the essentials skills for success.**

Three of the skills needed for success at school (and in most areas of life) are concentration, memory and sequencing or getting things in the right order. The games that parents play with their children such as Snap, Uno, Concentration, Battleships, Monopoly, Chess, Jigsaw puzzles all play an incredibly important role in developing these skills of success. Computer versions of these games are not as effective in helping children develop these skills. To really help your child to succeed at school every so often switch off the TV, unplug the computer and pull out a game.

**No. 12. Limit the amount of part-time work**

Senior secondary students should not work more than ten hours a week at a part-time job. If they do so, there is clear evidence that their marks will suffer. From “Help Your Child Succeed at School” by Andrew Fuller

Arthur Soumailas
Assistant Principal

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**Excursion to Lygon Street**

On Wednesday 22nd May, our Year 10 Italian class went to Lygon Street for a day out. In class we have been learning about food and shopping. Ms Genovese thought it would be a good idea to see the different Italian things around Lygon Street. We walked along the street and stopped at various places where Ms was able to explain to us some of the history. On our guided tour of Lygon Street we saw shops that had local Italian products like wine, fresh pasta, bread and cheeses. After that we went to the Museo Italiano (Italian museum) where there were belongings and information about when Italians migrated to Australia and what they had brought over with them. It also had information about famous Australians with Italian heritage such as Sir Donald Bradman! After the museum we were sent out for an hour and half to have lunch and look at the shops. Some students sat down and had lunch at a restaurant or café on the street and some stopped to get take away. We finished off the day by meeting at Piazza Italia (town square) where we witnessed a very entertaining game of down ball played by the other students. All in all we learnt a lot of interesting things on a great day out.

By Nicole, Tara and Matthew
Ms Genovese's Year 10 Italian Class
When using a camera such as a mobile phone camera or a digital camera, students must:
- Only take photos and record sound or video when it is agreed by the teacher to be part of a class or lesson
- Seek permission from individuals involved before taking photos, recording sound or videoing them (including teachers)
- Seek written permission from individuals involved before publishing or sending photos, recorded sound or video to anyone else or to any online space
- Respect others when they talk to and work with them online and never write or participated in online bullying
- Seek teacher permission before uploading any content to websites (e.g. blogs).

When students use their mobile phone, iPod or other mobile device (e.g. Netbook) at school, they are required to:
- Use it for learning purposes as directed by their teacher
- Act responsibly and not use the device to find, create or send information that might be harmful, inappropriate or hurtful to themselves or anyone else.

To this end, when using their mobile device as a phone, they must:
- Keep their phone turned off during class times and only make or answer calls and messages outside of lesson times – except for specified learning purposes as directed by their teacher
- Protect the privacy of others and never post private information about another person.

This Acceptable Use Policy for Mobile Devices also applies to students during school excursions, camps and extra curricular activities. On school camps mobile devices (e.g. mobile phones) are usually strongly discouraged or not allowed. Parents will be advised.

Refer to page (ix) in the Junior School Diary.

**Year 8 1:1 Computer Program - Final 2013 Payment**

The second and final Year 8 1:1 User Pays Netbook Computer payment for 2013 of $110 must be made by Monday 24th June. The payment can be made over the counter at the General Office or via phone by MasterCard/Visa. Thank you to our Year 8 families for your efforts in meeting our payment deadline. Please contact me with any queries.

Lynden Fielding
Assistant Principal
Career News

**LATTITUDE**

**Latitude Global Volunteering - Information Session**

Latitude Global Volunteering is hosting an Information Session outlining the various volunteering programs for 2014. Latitude staff will provide an overview about the organisation and volunteering program. Returned volunteers speak about their experiences and parents share their perspective about Latitude and the development they have seen in their son or daughter.

**Date:** Thursday 13th June 2013  
**Time:** 7.00pm  
**Venue:** Richmond Town Hall, 333 Bridge Road in Richmond


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**Job Outlook**

Job Outlook is a careers and labour market research information site to help students decide on their future career. Students can use the search options provided to find a wealth of information covering around 350 individual occupations.

Students might even take a few minutes to complete the career quiz provided - this quiz will help students identify what types of work they most like doing. Each of the 15 questions lists six tasks that people do. Simply select the work you would enjoy doing most, making sure to choose the task you prefer doing more than all the others in the group - no matter how qualified you are to do that job. Then select ‘See result’ to view the occupations you are most likely to enjoy or be good at.  

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**News from La Trobe University**

Experience La Trobe is designed especially for Year 10, 11 and 12 students and their parents to get a taste of what it is like to be a university student for a day and get the inside scoop on what really happens after high school. Students may participate in workshops of their choice, find out about student life and also check out the Melbourne campus, including student accommodation. University students and staff will be there to help participants out and answer any questions that might arise. Experience La Trobe is a free event - with lunch and entertainment provided!

**Date:** Wednesday 10th July 2013  
**Time:** 9.30am - 4.30pm  
**Venue:** Melbourne Campus, north-eastern suburb of Bundoora, at the intersection of Plenty Road and Kingsbury Drive

To register, visit [www.latrobe.edu.au/experience](http://www.latrobe.edu.au/experience) or email study@latrobe.edu.au for more information.

Students keen on a similar event at other La Trobe campuses, visit [www.latrobe.edu.au/experience](http://www.latrobe.edu.au/experience)

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**Melbourne Aquarium - Aquarist for a Day**

The Aquarist for a Day program provides the unique opportunity to experience a day in the life of an Aquarist at Melbourne Aquarium, which includes preparing food and feeding the animals.

Under the guidance of a qualified Biologist, students can experience a day in the life of a Melbourne Aquarium Aquarist with our very popular Aquarist for a Day Program. This unique program allows students to gain a “behind-the-scenes” look at Melbourne Aquarium, plus basic training in animal husbandry, food preparation, water testing, behavioural observations and animal feeding. Above all else, participating in Melbourne Aquarium's Aquarist for a Day program is an exciting and enjoyable experience for high school students of all ages.

This program runs during the school holidays. To find out more, call (03) 9923 5999 or email info@melbourneaquarium.com.au. Alternatively visit [www.melbourneaquarium.com.au/experiences/aquarist-programs](http://www.melbourneaquarium.com.au/experiences/aquarist-programs)

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**Medical Laboratory Visits 2013**

Have you ever wondered what happens after you have a blood test or other medical tests done? Where does your blood sample go? How is it examined? How is a diagnosis made? Students who are interested in the laboratory investigation, diagnosis, treatment and monitoring of disease, and want to know about the role of a medical scientist in this process, are encouraged to sign up for one of these free visits (registrations to open soon).

**Date:** Monday 8 July to Friday 12 July 2013  
Register online at [www.rmit.edu.au/browse;ID=5ahfnmu5brk5](http://www.rmit.edu.au/browse;ID=5ahfnmu5brk5)
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The 2013 General Achievement Test (GAT) must be done by all VCE students studying a Year 12 subject (Units 3 & 4) this year. The 2013 GAT will be conducted on Wednesday 12th June from 10.00am to 1.15pm.

**Year 7 - 11 students have been issued with their Examination Timetable.** A copy has been placed on the News page of the school Website: [www.rosehillsc.vic.edu.au](http://www.rosehillsc.vic.edu.au).

**Year 11 Examinations** commenced yesterday and run through to Thursday 13th June across the following times:

- **Session 1:** 9.00am – 10.40am
- **Session 2:** 11.20am – 1.00pm
- **Session 3:** 1.35pm – 3.15pm

All Year 11 examinations are 90 minutes plus 10 minutes reading time, with the exception of English, which is 2 hours plus 15 minutes reading time.

Year 11 examinations are being held in the Year 12 Study Centre.

Students who have an examination during Sessions 1 and 3 but no examination during Session 2 are not permitted to leave the College grounds. They are required to undertake private study in the Year 11 Study Centre or the Library.

Year 11 students are permitted to go home once their last exam for the day is finished.

**Year 10 Examinations** commenced today and run through to Thursday 13th June across the following times:

- **Session 1:** 9.00am – 10.40am
- **Session 2:** 11.20am – 1.00pm
- **Session 3:** 1.35pm – 3.15pm

All Year 10 examinations are 90 minutes plus 10 minutes reading time.

Year 10 examinations will be held in a number of different locations according to student numbers.

Year 10 students are permitted to go home once their last exam for the day is finished.

**Year 7 - 9 Examinations** will be held from Tuesday 11th June through to Thursday 13th June, during Periods 1 and 4.

There will be no Home Group meetings on these days - students will be expected to go straight to their examination room.

All Year 7 - 9 examinations are 70 minutes plus 5 minutes reading time.

Year 7 - 9 examinations will be held in individual classrooms.

A different timetable will be run on these days:

- **Period 1:** 9.00am – 10.15am
- **Recess:** 10.15am – 10.45am
- **Period 2:** 10.45am – 12.00pm
- **Period 3:** 12.00pm – 1.05pm
- **Lunch:** 1.05pm – 1.50pm
- **Period 4:** 2.00pm – 3.15pm

Year 7 - 9 students are required at school for the entire school day from 9.00am until 3.15pm on these days. **Year 7 - 9 students must bring their books and equipment for their normal classes that will be running during Periods 2 and 3.**

**Examination Rules**

**COLLEGE UNIFORM REQUIREMENT**

All students are required to be wearing full school uniform when attending an examination.

**EQUIPMENT TO TAKE TO EXAMINATIONS**

Students should bring to their examinations a pen, pencil, eraser, ruler, dictionary and calculator, unless told otherwise.

They may have a water bottle.

They are not permitted to have a mobile phone or other electronic device.

They are not permitted to have a folder or text book, unless told otherwise.

Writing / working out paper is provided by the supervising teacher.

**READING TIME**

Students are not permitted to use any writing implements or calculator during reading time.

Students are not permitted to talk during reading time.

Reading time is meant for reading the examination and thinking about the question time allocations.
LATE STUDENT ARRANGEMENTS

Students in Year 7 – 10 who arrive late for examinations must:
1) Sign into the General Office.
2) Be sent to the relevant room to collect their examination.
3) Return to the Conference Room where they will be supervised to do that paper by an Assistant Principal or Year Level Coordinator.

Students in Year 11 who arrive late for examinations must:
1) Sign into the General Office.
2) If they have arrived within 30 minutes of the start of the examination, they will be sent to the relevant room to commence their examination.
3) If they have arrived later than 30 minutes from the start of the examination, the student must report to a Principal Class member who will make a decision on whether or not to admit the student, and whether that paper will be marked. The Principal/Assistant Principal will then give the student a Pass to enter the examination room.

DURING THE EXAM & AT THE END
- Students must be silent on entering the examination room. Talking is not allowed.
- If students wish to ask a question they must raise their hand and wait for the teacher to come to them.
- There must be no communication between students.
- Any student who is misbehaving will be sent to an Assistant Principal’s office, with their examination materials.
- A student may go to the toilet if needed. Supervising teachers are to provide a permission note. Students must not take any examination materials with them. They will not be given any extra time.
- **When students think they have completed the examination they should double-check all their work.**
- Examination materials will not be collected from students until the end of the examination time.
- **Students are not permitted to leave the examination room until the examination time has finished.**
- All students will finish writing when told by the supervising teacher. Extra time will not be granted.
- At the end of the examination all students must remain silent and in their seat until all examination papers are collected and they are told they may leave.

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