FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Term 2 is generally very demanding in regards to the weather but is equally a demanding term for both students and staff in relation to the work that must be completed. Term 2 has a major focus on assessment and will be the culmination of some significant projects. These will include, Grade 7 and 9 literacy and numeracy testing, new Grade 10 Health and Well Being Assessments for the Essential Learnings and the completion of our comprehensive mid year school reports.

We will also see the school production culminate in performances for both our neighbouring primary schools and parents on July 28 and 29, the school concert band will travel to Melbourne in August and our touring party of staff and students will travel to Japan in the holiday break at the end of the term in early September.

It will important that all students attend school on a daily basis (unless unwell) as absences can have a serious impact on the efficacy of the assessment program and their individual results.

Mid year reports will be sent home on Friday, July 29 and parent/teacher interviews will be held on Tuesday, August 9.

Staff

I would like to welcome to Rose Bay, Mrs Gay Edmunds who takes up the vacant position in the maths and science area. Gay has extensive experience in schools in the north of the state and joins us from Prospect High School. Gay is permanent member of the Education Department and we look forward to her contribution to the teaching and learning program here at school in the years to come.

Mrs Ann Glass will continue on leave until mid July. Miss Jennifer Lane will continue to cover Mrs Glass’ classes during her period of leave.

We also welcome back to Rose Bay Mrs Helen Cameron. Mrs Cameron will join the Learning Support Team for the remainder of the year.

Learning Together Award

Rose Bay has once again been successful in achieving a Learning Together Award. Mrs Newstead received an award on behalf of the school for the Co Pilots/Youthtopia Program. Congratulations to Mrs Newstead and all her tutors and student participants.

At the awards, held at Rosny College this Tuesday, Hannah Rothbauer (vocalist) and Simon Butler (guitarist) performed a song as part of the Southern Branch Awards program. They performed with great confidence and were outstanding ambassadors for the school. Well done!
Staff Laptops

The majority of staff have been provided with laptop computers to enable them to more effectively prepare students' assessments for electronic transfer to the new reporting software to be introduced into school from December this year. To support those staff who didn't receive a laptop in the initial roll out, the school has purchased a number of computers to ensure that all staff at school have access to a wide range of electronic assessment recording documents and spreadsheets.

Building Update

Work continues on the final stage of the current redevelopment program. The carpet has been laid in the new Humanities Area this week and joinery and furniture is ready to be installed. We anticipate that classes will move into these new rooms in the next two weeks.

New Enrolments

This term we have welcomed to the school 7 new students. In particular, we welcome Nathan Jeffrey - Grade 9 from Darwin and Jessica Angus - Grade 10 from Portland in Victoria.

July 5 - International Education Conference

All parents are reminded that Rose Bay teaching staff will attend the International Education Conference on Tuesday, July 5. As a consequence, the school will closed for regular classes.

Any parent unable to arrange appropriate supervision on this day for their children should contact the school. Teacher supervision by relief staff can be made available should it be required. Notification of the need for this service must be provided prior to July 5. It should be noted that school buses will not operate on this day.

Stephen Mannering
Principal

Return Slip

Acknowledgement of notification regarding staff attendance at the International Education Conference on Tuesday, July 5.

I have received notification of the information regarding the attendance of Rose Bay Teaching Staff at the International Education Conference on July 5, 2005.

Student Name

Class __________________

Signed _________________

Parent/Guardian ___

Congratulations

The following Rose Bay High students participated in the southern Tasmanian Dancing Eisteddfod in the school holidays:

Elle Meagher            Olivia Cathro
Ryan Butterworth       Maddie Blake
Anita Hobden           Danielle Hudson
Madelaine Berry        Kate Manning

Everyone achieved excellent placings and had lots of fun. Congratulations to all!!

Uniform Shop

Opening Time for Term 2
Wednesday 8.15am - 9.30am

Price Lists: A new price list is now available. Rugby jumpers are now $63.00 each.

Volunteers: Please contact me if you would like to volunteer an hour of your time.

Thankyou

Jane Menzies
Shop Co-ordinator
0414 841 185
Grade 10C Sonnets

The Wonder of the Sun
The cliff below seems frightening and so steep
The sun will rise soon beautiful and bright
This sight to me will touch my deepest soul
It's so still, there's nothing to make a peep
I'm almost inclined to take a great leap
But soon there will be a brilliant light
The feeling of peace is whole at this height
This sight is fantastic and mine to keep

Upon this mountain the world seems so kind
A weight has been lifted, it feels like a tonne
I feel I've left the busy world behind
There's no one around but still it is fun
Up here I have lovely peace of mind
I'm waiting for the wonder of the sun

By Sarah Blackwood

The Beauty of Nature

Nature is precious though some fail to see,
The delicate beauty of our own world.
Sunlight glitters like a salt water pearl.
Pristine waters carving canyons so deep,
Wondrous beauty and in splendor I weep.
Sweet calls of rare birds can distinctly be heard,
This captivating peace silences my words.
Here's a place in which miracles occur.

Delicate fragments of butterfly wings,
Entangled within a black spider's web.
Visions appearing beckon me to sing,
Voice of softer than petals, harder than lead,
Caterpillars mature, I too grow wings,
To soar through the canopy, float in wind.

By Helen Bills

LOTE Lines

Another great piece of work from Grade 7. This article was authored by Oliver Reading.

Get Smart, Get Japanese

What's the big thing about Japanese?
Well here goes; firstly you can learn about where you belong in the world, more about your own culture, the reasons why it is like that and about the rest of the world.

While traveling to Japan when you know the language, you feel more comfortable while there. It would be the same with Japanese tourists coming here. If people know their language they will feel more 'at home' during their stay.

When you learn Japanese you won't just learn a language, you learn a new way of life. You will also learn about their culture, customs, traditions and history. You also learn why they do certain things and how they do them. Maybe there would be less conflict between countries if we knew more about each other.

While you study this language you might discover something interesting in that country. It could be holidaying, business opportunity or maybe somewhere to live. You will also gain a better understanding about the way the country is, whether political or economical.

If you learn Japanese there will be many new jobs available to you. Some areas are travel, tourism, communication, government, industry and trade.

Japan is a very strong economic contender. If more of us knew the language we could make better trade deals which would help our economy to become stronger.

There is lots to do and see in Japan. If you knew the language and culture better it would be easier to get around, find more interesting things and you would not offend anyone or break any laws.

So why not get smart and learn Japanese. It helps you and your country, now and in the future. It's more than just a language.
Step to the Future: An Amazing Journey

On Monday 9 May a group of Year 9 and 10 students attended a forum held at the Grand Chancellor. This amazing conference was called, Step to the Future.

From what our students expected to be a boring day, sitting in chairs, listening to unknown people speaking to us about what our futures can become, turned out to be a highly inspirational, energetic, emotional and a day full of fun and laughter, from which not only myself but every student that attended, from all over Tasmania was able to walk away from saying..."That was fantastic, I can’t wait to step into my future".

When I left the forum I felt unbelievably inspired, and that is why I am speaking to you now, to share some of the things that I have learnt and have taken upon myself to put towards my future, to hopefully inspire some of you to step into your futures with leadership, courage and enjoyment.

You can be a little person or a big person, it’s your choice, you only have one chance at life, you have to take it and live it to be the best person you can possibly be.

One of the biggest things that we were told at this forum was that we are not only the future but we are also now....

And this message was heavily passed onto us by the six inspirational people that we had speaking to us, these were:

The first speaker, Robyn Moore, is a multi-skilled communicator who has changed many people’s perspectives on life through just the power of her words. We were told that Robyn is considered to be one of Australia’s top speakers at national and international conferences.

Mrs Moore is an ambassador for the Australia Day Council and a national patron for the "Make a Wish Foundation".

The speech that we received from Mrs Moore was not your ordinary speech as we were listening to the voices of Australia’s well known Blinky Bill and characters from popular children’s program, Tabalooga. We were told about Robyn’s life, family and stories which were just amazing.

The second speaker, Julian Burton, was a survivor of the Bali bombings, a SAN Football League player, a former P.E. teacher and founder of the Julian Burns Trust. Mr Burton spoke to us about fulfilling relationships, moving beyond our fears, accomplishing goals and striving to understand ourselves and the others around us. Mr Burton explained to us the simple daily tools and strategies that we can use to turn our defeats into challenges and our challenges into victories.

The next speakers were, Barbara Holborrow a children’s court magistrate, Jo Cornish, a Southern Cross television journalist and Eric Bailey, a former NBL professional basketball player who gave us powerful messages on leadership, team work, self esteem and goal setting.

But without doubt our most emotional and moving speech was given to us with detail and humour by John Coutis.

Mr Coutis is an amazing person who was born with a severe disability which resulted in having both of his legs amputated. Amazingly he does not use a wheelchair to get around. He lives by his own philosophy on life, using and making the most out of what you already have, therefore he used his own arms to get around where he develops his self-esteem, self confidence and self reliance.

When John was a baby he was the size of the palm of your hand and doctors told his parents that he would not live past that day. He lived through that day. They said he would live a week. He lived a week. They said he would not live a month. He lived a month. They said he would not live a year. 35
years later, John has proved medical opinions wrong and lives to tell his story.

There were a couple of things that we learnt at this forum that we would like to pass on to you.

- Step through to your future, set your goals and never give up on them.
- Do what you want to do and be who you want to be, it’s not the destination that matters it’s the journey of how you get there.
- Life is either a daring adventure, or it is nothing at all.
- Live up to your dreams, your life is your choice.

When someone now mentions the word “life” to me, there is only one answer. Be in it.

We’d like to thank all the dedicated staff who gave us the opportunity to go along to this amazing forum and who took care of us on the day, we all learnt so much and have come away as different people with many different thoughts on how we can make our futures be the best that we can possibly make them.

Keryn Lewis
Grade 10

Sunday Market Stall

The Japanese department is looking for items you could donate to our Glenorchy Sunday market stall. If you have any clutter you are wishing to off-load we would appreciate toys, books, ornaments, kitchen gadgets, crockery, CD’s etc etc. Items can be left at the office.

Thanking you
Mrs Helen Gardiner

Once again we thank Kate McCreadie from PRDNATIONWIDE Eastern Shore for her support of School Sport at Rose Bay High. Her kind donation of $165 provided some new training aids, including a set of marker domes; practise and match balls and a ball carry case for each of our hockey teams. Kate is keen to further assist her “old school” and has offered to donate an additional $100 every time someone lists and sells or buys a property through her and mentions their connection with the school.

If you're in the market to buy or sell a property, why not give Kate a call.

6244 8088 or 0400 425 550
Children’s Dental Service.

Free examination for 0-18yrs.
Please contact for an appointment or more information regarding this service.

Reminder:
Children are no longer taken from class to dental appointments, this has not occurred for several years. Parents/Guardians are responsible for arranging dental appointments.

Kip McGrath

Kerry Cox  BSc DipEd TTC

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