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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Staff Professional Learning

I would like to thank all parent and guardians who made alternative arrangements for the supervision of their children on Tuesday of this week. This enabled all members of the teaching staff to attend a presentation, as part of the Leading Lifelong Learning Conference, by leading curriculum consultant from the United States, Dr Lynn Erickson.

Whilst members of the school staff often attend professional learning programs, rarely do we have the opportunity to experience a full day presentation as a whole staff. The presentation of Dr Erickson was timely and topical and provided staff with greater insights into aspects of curriculum design and planning learning activities, designed to build each student’s capacity to think and to move from a two dimensional curriculum model of facts and skills to a three dimensional model, including a stronger emphasis on concepts and ‘big ideas’ that transfer through time and across situations.

Staff participated in discussions and activities to improve their capacity to engage students in deeper levels of understanding at both the factual and conceptual level of learning.

At the end of the day, staff were much better equipped to articulate why they are teaching particular content and provided with the knowledge required to write clear and powerful curriculum materials, which reflect the most powerful ideas and critical understandings of their teaching areas.

This experience will be invaluable as we continue to implement the Essential Learnings Curriculum Framework at Rose Bay.

Student Attendance

This week I took the opportunity to compare student attendance with the same period last year. Whilst there were some similarities to last year’s attendance patterns there has unfortunately been an increase in the number of unexplained absences.

Regular attendance at school is crucial for each student’s success. Please ensure that your child attends every day, unless there is a very good reason for them not to be at school. Your assistance with this will be appreciated.

Staff Professional Learning
School Mid-Year Reports

Staff are currently preparing mid-year reports. Each student will receive a report for each subject studied at school and a class teacher report.

Mid-year reports this year, now reflect the changed curriculum at Rose Bay and refer in the learning outcomes section to the Essential Learnings.

These reports will include:

- an outline of the learning program completed at the time of reporting
- details of the learning outcomes sought for students
- an indication of their progress towards achieving these
- an indication of their overall progress
- details of their performance on a given set of behavioural and organisational criteria
- a written teacher comment

Reports will also include an attendance report for the first half of the year.

Reports will be sent home on Friday, July 29 and will be followed by a Parent Teacher Evening on Tuesday, August 9.

Stephen Mannering
Principal

Congratulations

Congratulations to Karyn Grimmond who participated in the Southern Tasmanian Dancing Eisteddfods in the school holidays. Karyn completed in the following sections:
U/15 Jazz Group - 3rd
U/15 Song and Dance Group - HC
U/14 Tap Solo
U/14 Jazz Solo
Well done Karyn!

SPORTS

Congratulations to the Rose Bay Tigers Indoor Cricket Team who won the grand final in the Grade 7 to 9 competition on Monday 27 June 2005 - Greg Mills, David Upton, Tim Maguire, Miles Mazengarb, Ben Knight and Mathew Knight.

Congratulations to Baden Hunt [8D] who recently participated in the City of Glenorchy Classic Fun Run [10kms] and came 1st in the under sixteen age group in 43 minutes 34 seconds!!

Reminder!

Grade 7 Swimming and Water Safety 2005

The Grade 7 Swimming and Water Safety Program is finally underway! On Monday 4th July Grade 7C and 7D enjoyed their first visit to the pool, and all other Grade 7 classes will be heading to the pool in the coming weeks. The program runs for 5 weeks and aims to develop fundamental swimming strokes, basic water safety and survival techniques. It will cater for all levels of student experience and lessons will be conducted at the Clarence Swim Centre during normal PE Lessons.

It is expected that all students in Grade 7, with the support of their parents and carers, will make the most of this opportunity and participate fully in the program. Students will need suitable swimwear, a towel and a plastic bag for each lesson. Swimming goggles are recommended but not essential.

The Swimming and Water Safety Program would not be possible without the financial support of the Rose Bay High School Association. We thank them again for their continued commitment and strong endorsement of this initiative.
The Swimming and Water Safety Program plays a vital role in developing positive attitudes to swimming, reducing the risk of drowning accidents, and improving general fitness. It also improves confidence and competence in and around aquatic environments.

Our Health and Physical Education Team are available to answer any questions you may have concerning the Program.

**The University of Tasmania Open Days** will be held on Sunday 14\(^{th}\) August at the Hobart Campus and Sunday 28\(^{th}\) August at the Launceston Campus.

It's a great opportunity to experience their distinctive and vibrant environment while building an awareness of the University and its key functions.

**Sunday Market Stall - Glenorchy - 17\(^{th}\) July**

The Japanese department are still collecting items you could donate to our Glenorchy Sunday market stall.

Items can be left at the office and are needed by Friday 15 July.

Thank you
Helen Gardiner

**Uniform Shop**
*Opening Hours for Term 2*
*Wednesday 8.15am - 9.30am*

Layby's - there are still some layby's that have not been finalized.

Discontinued items are still on sale
Blue Windcheater $15.00-$20.00
Red Windcheaters $10.00
White Polo Tops $10.00
Long Sleeve White Polo Tops $10.00
and more.............
will consider selling items in bulk lots - interested???

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