**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

The school year has started smoothly and I would like to thank students for the common sense that they have shown in their movement around the buildings and the school grounds. With about fifty more students than last year, and no oval until next Wednesday, the grounds at recess and lunchtimes have been crowded and students have been unable to ‘let off steam’ as much as they would like.

From next Wednesday the far end of the oval will be available for use and the whole oval will be back in use in April.

**STUDY HABITS**

Students have also settled into their work programs and patterns in class and support for this by establishing patterns at home can only benefit the learning of all students.

While students will not always have set homework, there are things that can be done at home to support their learning and encourage their progress:

- Set up a homework area (centrally or in bedrooms)
- Equip with pens, paper, etc.
- Have an age-suitable dictionary available
- Allocate computer time, making homework a priority over games and email chat
- Establish a quiet time in the evenings when everyone does their paperwork or reads silently.

Students always have something to do at home even if homework is not set, such as reading, practising their musical instrument, tidying or labelling books, finding out more about a topic he/she is studying, etc.

**THE ESSENTIAL PARENT GUIDE**

An information booklet about Tasmanian government schools was successfully launched by the Minister of Education, Paula Wriedt MHA, at Rose Bay High School on Tuesday 21st February. Thanks to the parents, staff and students who were involved in the occasion and special thanks to Kris Penney, Callum Cusick, Jack Webster, Ollie Reading, Prue Webster and Jeremy Howe for their help on the day, and to Megan Hughes, Tom Lowe and Matthew Todd for providing the musical entertainment at very short notice.

A copy of *The Essential Parent Guide* will accompany this newsletter. There is one copy for each family and it will be sent home with the eldest child in each family at the school.

**CHEWING/BUBBLE GUM**

A great deal of money (thousands of dollars) has recently been spent upgrading furniture and floor coverings in some parts of the school and it is disappointing to find that ancillary staff are spending a lot of their time removing chewing gum from the carpets and from under the new desks.

Chewing gum is not permitted at Rose Bay High School and students found with chewing gum in the school will be detained, firstly at lunchtime and, if necessary after school.
We encourage all members of the school community to look after school resources and appreciate the support of parents in this matter.

UNIFORM

It has been great to see that the vast majority of students are in full school uniform and we extend our thanks to parents and carers for their excellent support by sending their children to school in uniform.

Unfortunately, non-school shorts and multi-coloured, printed t-shirts are appearing. If a student chooses to wear shorts to school they must be school shorts and should a student need to wear a t-shirt under his/her school shirt it must be a plain white or blue t-shirt please.

WATER BOTTLES

There have been an increasing number of students taking drinks to class and this has been causing problems due to spillage and the sharing of drinks. Students have been told not to take drinks to class.

We understand that on some occasions it may be necessary for a student to do so for health reasons and, if this is the case, the school requires a note from a parent/carer to support this.

WELCOME BBQ

Thanks to the School Association Parents and Friends for organising the Welcome BBQ yesterday evening - it was a great success and was well supported by parents and students. Thanks to all those who attended.

Greg Sawyer
Co-Principal

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Daniel Cullen who won the Under 14 Iron Man and Board Race at a recent Surf Lifesaving carnival on the north-west coast. We wish Daniel, Joseph Watson and Sean Vincent, all representing the Carlton Beach Club, the best of luck in the State Championships this weekend.

Sam Cordell, Matt Hadfield and John Russell played for the SEBA Basketball Club Under 16 team and came second in a recent tournament at Latrobe – well done boys.

Matthew Harback rowed at the State Championships at Lake Barrington at the weekend and his quad crew came in 3rd. In the Under 17’s Matthew came in second in his doubles. Well Done!

OHA Hockey Club’s Junior Registration Day is to be held on the following dates:

U11 to U18 Boys – Tuesday 7 March
5.00 – 6.00 – Tasmanian Hockey Centre, Bell Street, New Town – Ground 1

U16 & U 18 Girls – Wednesday 8 March
5.15 – 6.15 – Tasmanian Hockey Centre, Bell Street, New Town – Ground 1

U12 & U14 Girls – Thursday 9 March
6.30 – 7.30 – Dampier Street, Cnr Bligh & Dampier Streets, Warrane

Co-coordinators:
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INFORMATION FOR JUNIOR PLAYERS

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<td>Equipment:</td>
<td>All players will require a pair of black Clarence United socks and a pair of plain red socks. Both are available from Sportsco at Eastlands. Sportsco are offering the two pair of socks and a pair of shorts for $35.00 (tell them you are from Clarence United).</td>
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UNIFORM SHOP

OPENING HOURS UNTIL EASTER
Wednesday 8.30-9.30am
Friday 8.30-9.30am

STOCK JUST ARRIVED
Unisex White Shirts $12.00
Navy Cargo Pants $25.00
Navy Cargo Shorts $19.00

ORDERS ON HOLD
Please note: Once contacted by the uniform shop we will hold items for a maximum 2 weeks then it will be returned to stock without further notice.

OUTSTANDING ORDERS
Blue shirts are due within the week.

Summer dresses are starting to arrive, orders are being filled first, and winter skirts are about 3 weeks away. Tiger tops and rugby jumpers are still about 4 weeks away.

KEEP WATCH ON NEWSLETTER FOR FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

PRE-USED CLOTHING
We have some pre-used clothing coming in but more is needed.

VOLUNTEERS
I wish to thank all volunteers, who gave their time during the school levy payment period. Your help was much appreciated, without volunteers the uniform shop could not run. Thank you.

Jane Menzies
Co-Coordinator

ROSE BAY HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Bulb Fundraiser
Brochures are included within this newsletter. Orders and money need to be returned to Mrs Cash before Friday 17 March.

Please ensure that your child’s name and class are clearly printed on the top of the order form.

Kip McGrath
BSc DipEd TTC

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