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Other important dates:
- Term 2 Commences – June 18
- Staff Professional Learning Day - Friday, July 20
- End of Term 2 - Thursday, September, 6
- Moderation Day Number 2 - September 7
- Term 3 Commences - September 24
- Show Day - October 25
- Moderation Day Number 3 - Friday, October 26
- End of Term 3 - Thursday, December 20

From The Principal

It's very pleasing to be able to report that the school has very quickly got down to work and with only a few minor hiccups, virtually all of our students have come back to school with renewed commitment to their learning and a willingness to work with their teachers and each other, to gain the utmost from the teaching learning program here at school.

I would particularly like to acknowledge the excellent work being done by our Peer Support Leaders from Grade 10. Grade 7’s are beginning to form into cohesive class groups and have been very ably assisted in their transition to high school by the outstanding activities they have participated in through the Peer Support Program. I would also like to thank Mrs Cash and Mrs Kay and their team of teachers for continuing to support this important program within the school. The program will be conducted until Easter.

Welcome Carnival

On Friday, March 9, all Grade 7 students will participate in the annual School Welcome Carnival on the school sports ground. The program is organised by the Peer Support Leaders and will hopefully be a very enjoyable experience in which our students can get to know each other better in some fun events. Parents are welcome to attend.

Clean Up Australia

On Friday, March 2 all members of the school will participate in a clean up of the greater Rose Bay grounds. This will involve shortened lessons to provide a half an hour to complete this task. The clean up will be coordinated by the SRC - School Environment Committee assisted by Mr Primrose.

Uniform – Short Shorts

A number of staff and parents have noticed that some of our female students have acquired from retail outlets, some very short navy blue shorts. Many of the 'short shorts' are not of an appropriate length for school and should not be worn to school due to both safety reasons (workshops, kitchen, science labs etc) and their inappropriateness for the school setting.

If need be, we will tolerate these shorts for general use if the purchase of more appropriate length shorts is a concern until the end of March, however after that date, students will be expected to attend school in ‘school’ shorts. Please provide a note for your child
should you be unable to arrange the correct shorts before this date. So that the money used to purchase these shorts isn’t wasted, girls can wear them for Physical Education if they wish.

I hope parents will understand why this needs to be addressed and will support us in sorting this out.

Bicycles

During this week I spoke to all students who ride their bikes to school. The reason for my chat was in regard to students riding at excessive speed in the school grounds and riding between buses and cars at the close of school.

I hope that this will ensure that students will be more careful, however I would appreciate it if parents and guardians could reinforce the need for caution when their children are riding to and from school. Please note: all students must wear a helmet at all times when riding their bikes. This includes in the school grounds.

Parking

I would like to remind all parents who collect their children by car that the northern side of Koota Road opposite the school entrance is a No Standing Area. Any student meeting a parent parked on this side of the road must cross the road in front of the buses, cars parked here also force other cars turning left in Koota Road to cross onto the wrong side of the road into the path of the departing buses.

Please park in the designated parking area in the turning circle or on the lower grassed parking area. Your co-operation with this request will increase the safety of our students as they depart from school.

Stephen Mannering
Principal

Woodcock-Johnson 111 Cognitive & Achievement Testing

The school is participating in the Woodcock-Johnson 111 research study being conducted nationally by Psychological Assessments Australia.

Eight students (two from each grade) have been randomly selected and permission forms sent to the parent/carer of those students. It would be appreciated if responses to this project could be returned to the school as soon as possible so that the testing dates can be arranged.

Grade 10 Immunisation consent cards

Consent cards for the immunisation of Grade 10s for Diphtheria, Tetanus & Pertussis (dTpa) have been issued to students and all cards must be returned to Class Teachers by Monday 5th March (next Monday) so that the Council can collect them.

The Council has indicated that late returns may mean that parents will have to make their own arrangements to have their child immunised.

Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Immunisation

We have just been informed that the new Human Papillomavirus (cervical cancer) vaccination campaign will be conducted through schools in April 2007.

This will involve all girls in Grades 7 and 10 being offered the vaccine. The Vaccine consist of 3 doses with dose two being given 2 months after the first and dose three being given 6 months after the first.

Consent cards will be distributed next week and will need to be returned to the school by Monday 12th March.

In 2008 Grade 7, 9 & 10 girls will be offered the vaccine and from 2009 all Grade 7 girls will be given the opportunity to be vaccinated.

Grade 7 Dyslexia intervention program

The University of Tasmania has invited the school to participate in a new dyslexia intervention program during Terms 1 and 2.

As a large, co-educational, central high school, we see it as our responsibility to support research projects undertaken by the University and the school has been active in supporting the University teacher training program.

We see that a dyslexia intervention program would further support our efforts to improve student Literacy in the school.

A representative from the School of Psychology at the University of Tasmania will conduct some
preliminary testing with Grade 7 students from March 15 to 23, at the Rose Bay High School. This process will take about 10 minutes and will enable the selection of Grade 7s who will then be invited to volunteer for a research project investigating the efficacy of a dyslexia intervention program on a wider basis. The preliminary test will involve students completing two reading tests. A spatial ability test will then be administered by Humanities teachers in lesson time. Further information will be provided to parents and students who are selected after the preliminary testing has been completed and prior to the research, which will be conducted in Term 2.

The school recommends that parents/carers support the involvement of their child in this worthwhile project and a permission form has been sent home to all Grade 7 students. It would be appreciated if Parents/Carers could return the completed form to their child’s Class Teacher by Wednesday 7th March.

Should you have any queries concerning this project, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

Greg Sawyer
Assistant Principal

Congratulations to:

Sam Randall (7A) who is a member of the Under 13 Southern Regional Soccer squad. The Squad will play in the U15 competition, the North West Cup, Festival Cup and Launceston tournament, with a trip to Northern NSW in October. Well done, Sam, and good luck! The team is coached by a former student, Rodney Bones.

PARENT TUTORS and LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY REQUIRED

If you think you can spare an hour or two of your time to help our students who require support with literacy and numeracy or assist in the Library with a variety of tasks, then please let us know.

If you are able to help as a Parent tutor you are welcome to come at a time that suits you and our friendly support staff will assist you and have work prepared in folders for you.

Please contact Mrs. Sue Newstead (Special Programs Co-ordinator) on 62438511 if you think you can help.

If you are interested in helping out in the Library, then please contact either Mrs. Hill (Teacher librarian) or Sue Tuffin (Library Technician) on 62438511.

Staff and students would really appreciate your support.

Sue Newstead.

UNIFORM NEWS

Opening Hours
8:10am - 9:30am
Wednesday & Friday

Start of School Sales
Thank you to everyone for your patience and cooperation during 7 February - 9 February. We apologise for items being sold out, there is not much we can do to ensure this will not happen again, however, ordering prior does help as well as ordering when the stock is sold out. A big thank you to all volunteers, without your help the uniform shop would not function.

Price List Changes
Please note: There will be some increases in prices once new stock has arrived.

Rugby Jumpers (new supplier) $70.00. These jumpers are thicker. There will be Rugby Jumpers of the original supplier still available to purchase at $63.00 within 6 - 12 weeks.

Tiger Tops - new fabric 'Mock Mesh' $25.00
Larger sizes 16 - 20 are original fabric until sold out and are still $22.00

A new price list is available at the office.

Orders
The following items are expected within the next 2 weeks - Tiger Tops, Shirts, Trousers, Shorts, Polo Tops, Winter Skirts and Summer Dresses. If you have placed an order for these items and have not received a message advising that they have arrived by 19 March, please leave a message at the office for me. All endeavours will be made to contact everyone.

Jane Menzies, Coordinator
Phone: 0400 801 144
Dear Parents

Your state-wide parent support network, Tasmanian State School Parents & Friends, would like to welcome you all back to school this year.

Being involved with your school community is a great way to help your child's education and we would like to encourage you to join your school's parent group, P&F or School Association this year. Please access our website www.parentsandfriendstasmania.asn.au as it contains useful information for parents and a link to our new online discussion board. We look forward to being of assistance to you and hearing your views, either through your school's parent group our website - where you will find contact details for your local representative, or directly by phone to our office in Hobart on 03-62349488. Have a great year!

Jennifer Branch
President
Tasmanian State School Parents & Friends Inc

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**STUDENT EXCHANGE AUSTRALIA**

*Bring Home a Brother or a Sister*

In July 2007, students aged 15 - 18 years from over 15 countries will be arriving in Australia to study at local schools for 5 to 11 months. Opportunities exist to act as a host family in volunteer-unpaid capacity. Hosting can be on a temporary, short or long term basis.

For more information contact Student Exchange Australia on 1300 135 331 or visit their website: www.studentexchange.org.au

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**Foreshore Art School**

The Foreshore Art School is taking school student and adult enrolments for our new studio in Bellerive.

Areas covered are drawing and painting, sculpture, printing and pottery in small and friendly groups

If you think your child or yourself would benefit, contact Betty Nolan at the phone numbers below.

6244 6785
0438 446785
Betty.Nolan@iinet.net.au
Rosny Children’s Choir building.
Cambridge Road, Bellerive

Betty Nolan
M. Ed. Studs, Dip. Art Ed., TTC

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**UNDER 15 FOOTBALL TRAINING**

Clarence U/15 Junior Football club is staring training on Mondays and Fridays 4:00pm at Howrah Primary School. If you are interested just turn up or phone the coach Chris Riewoldt on 0437 753 573 or ask Jack Standen or Greg Mills.

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**LINDISFARNE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB**

*Season 2007 – Registration Day*

Anzac Park Club rooms, Sunday 18 March, 2.00 - 4.00pm
Contact Mark Spong, President, 6243 6903 or 0437 078 001
U/13 training 4.00pm Thursday's at Geilston Bay High, contact Mark Gibson 6260 2772 or 0438 929 777