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Other important dates:

- End of Term 2 – Friday, September 5
- Term 3 Commences – Monday, September 22
- Show Day – Thursday, October 23
- End of Term 3 (Grades 7-10) – Thursday, December 18

A full year school calendar is available on the school website: www.rosebay.tased.edu.au

From The Principal

Librarian of the Year

I am very pleased to announce that Mrs Ailsa Hill has been named as Tasmanian Librarian of the Year. Mrs Hill has worked tirelessly both here at Rose Bay and in professional librarian circles, to improve the status of our libraries and to ensure that students have the best access possible to current and appropriate reading and research materials.

We feel very privileged to have Mrs Hill as our librarian here at Rose Bay

Well done and congratulations Ailsa!

Titration

Many thanks to Mr Armstrong for all his efforts in preparing our teams for the National Chemistry Titration Competition last Friday. Many hours of training and preparation were undertaken to prepare for the competition and I would like to thank all those parents who have assisted by changing their transport arrangements to enable their children to take part in this very worthwhile program.

NAPLAN (National Testing) Reports to be Distributed at the Beginning of Term 3, 2008

NAPLAN reports for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 who sat the national tests in literacy and numeracy earlier this year, will be sent home during the first week of Term 3, 2008.

Students in government, Catholic and independent schools were tested. This is the first time all parents across Australia will receive results in a common reporting format.

Your child's report will show national information including how your child performed in relation to other students in their particular year group, and against the average score for each of the Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy tests.

A parent information brochure will also be distributed with the report.

Teachers will be provided with a complete analysis of their students' results and parents are invited to contact their child's teacher should they need to discuss any aspect of the tests.
**GRAFFITI**

In the last few months we have increasingly become aware that a small number of male students are purchasing permanent marker pens with their pocket money to damage community property. These, however, have recently found their way to school. As a consequence, any student found with this type of marking pen at school will have the item confiscated and a parent will be required to collect this from my office.

If you believe your child may be involved in this type of behaviour, I would strongly urge you to speak to them about the possible consequences for such behaviour and the impact wanton behaviour of this type has on property owners and the wider community. As a school, we work closely with the Tasmania Police to address these issues when they occur.

**MUSIC**

Rose Bay rock band, Bernie Ernie (Jonno Ainslie, Matt O’Garey, Alex Barnett and Callum Johnson) represented Rose Bay in the High School Rock Band Challenge on Tuesday, August 19 in the City Hall.

The Rose Bay Jazz Ensemble and Bernie Ernie will also perform on Sunday, August 24 at the Bellerive Board walk as part of the Clarence Youth Music Fair. Bernie Ernie is scheduled to perform at 11.20am and the jazz ensemble at 11.50am.

The jazz ensemble will also perform at 2.30pm on Sunday, August 31 at the Queens Head in North Hobart as part of the Hobart Hot August Jazz Festival.

Stephen Mannering
Principal

**PATHWAYS FOUNDATION – RAISING TEENAGERS TALK**

On Thursday, August 28 we will hold our second parent meeting for this term on the topic of Raising Teenagers. This presentation by Ranald Allan, will focus on solutions and preventative models that empower young people to reach their full potential, as well as providing parents with valuable tools that they can implement to help their teenager’s transition into adulthood.

Whilst the talk is directed towards the challenges that face young men in today’s world, it will be relevant to any parent.

*Please note: the talk is not for students to attend.*

This presentation at other schools has attracted very strong parent support. I hope that Rose Bay parents will take advantage of this free opportunity to hear from Mr Allan.

*The presentation will commence at 7.00 pm in Room C11 in C Block.*

**LIFE SKILLS AND COMMUNITY ACCESS**

At Rose Bay we have a small group of students who participate with support in a Life Skills and Community Access program. Our Support teacher and Special Education aides and peer supporters in all grades help these students to access all types of activities to prepare them for independent life skills.

To-date we have had shopping excursions where they have individually purchased ingredients for various recipes. We have visited the museum and library, aiming to encourage students to use public transport independently and given them the opportunity to act appropriately with community members.

Last week Ms Bowden (ex Itas teacher) and baby Louis came to visit. All students enjoyed interacting with little Louis and helped feed him.
Being able to play with Louis was fun

It was great to be able to feed Louis.

It was good to feed Louis.

The best thing about Louis’ visit was being able to push him in the pram to the car.

It was nice to hold the baby
**Grades 8&9 Options Selection**

This week, all Grades 8 and 9 students should have received a 2009 Curriculum Guide which outlines all the subjects being offered to them in 2009. Students and parents should read this carefully and discuss any questions they have with subject leaders and teachers.

A Parent Information Evening will be held on Thursday September 4th, at 7.00pm in Room C11. This is an opportunity for Grades 8&9 students and their parents to talk informally with subject leaders to further explore their options. Mr Robin Fox, Principal of Rosny College will be present to clarify some of the changes that are currently taking place in Senior Secondary education. ***Please note: this meeting was previously advertised in the last RBHS Newsletter for a different date but has been changed due to a clash of programs.

**Applied Science 2008**

The subject known previously as Natural Resource Science has been absorbed into general Applied Science in 2008. In this course students do a term of introductory coursework before embarking on a major project which may involve the full range of scientific disciplines.

This term, two classes of students are undertaking investigations which include:

Aspects of Forensic Science, Surfboard design, construction and testing, mice and mazes, diet, behaviour and colour recognition, catapult construction and testing, Investigating Krill, Hydroponics,- investigating growth stimulants, testing a range of wind generating machines, building model solar and boats for the Solar Challenge, building a model All-Terrain-Vehicle, investigating skin care products.

In Third Term students prepare and organise reports or posters and present seminars of on their findings to their class.
YOUTH MUSIC FAIR A BOOST FOR YOUNG PERFORMERS

Clarence City Council has launched a new event to support young musicians and sound engineers.

The Youth Music Fair will feature non-stop music on two stages, showcasing 15 school-age bands in a market atmosphere. Performers include rock, acoustic and stage bands.

The fair will be held at the Bellerive Boardwalk on Sunday 24 August from 10.30am to 3.30pm.

Clarence City Council Event Coordinator Wendy Moles said Council designed the Youth Music Fair to provide public performance opportunities for young musicians and a training ground for student sound engineers.

VET students from the Rosny College Vocational Education and Training (VET) Music Industry course, will work under supervision on both the acoustic and non-acoustic stages.

“The Music Industry students will run the entire program on the acoustic stage and assist Alpha Audio’s Tim McCulloch on the main stage.” Said Lincoln LeFevre, teacher of Rosny’s Music Industry course.

“The event will give them on the job experience as part of their course.”

Wendy Moles said that Council will offer student performers, technicians and the audience the performance standards found at professional outdoor music events.

“At the end of the day, we aim to present great music to an appreciative audience,” Mrs Moles said.

The music will be complemented by food and product stalls and provide fundraising opportunity for schools.

The Youth Music Fair is part of Clarence City Council’s ongoing support to youth and community events. Clarence City Council also runs the Young Jazz Players Competition as part of the Clarence Jazz Festival, the only competition of its kind in Tasmania.

What: Youth Music Fair
When: Sunday 24 August 2008 – 10.30-3.30pm
Where: Bellerive Boardwalk
Who: VET Music Industry Lincoln LeFevre and rock band Squealer (Rosny College) are available for photos and interviews
For information:  Lyndall Edwards – Communication and Events Officer
– 0403 761 745

Performances this weekend

This weekend one of our rock bands – “Burning Ernie” and our Jazz Band will be performing between 11:00 am and 12:30 pm at the Youth Music Fair which is to be held at the Bellerive Boardwalk this Sunday.

JAPANESE SPEECH COMPETITION

Congratulations to Laura Harle, Grade 7 and Emma Barnett, Grade 10 who both achieved 3rd Places for Best Delivery in the annual Australia-Japan Society (Tasmania) Japanese Speech Competition on the 18th August. Our school is very pleased to have been represented by motivated, hard working students in our first ever experience in this high standard competition.

VALHALLA EXCURSION

All Food Studies students have had the opportunity to go on an excursion to Valhalla Ice Cream factory. Students have been designing and making their own ice cream flavours in class as well as learning about labelling requirements. The excursion gave them the opportunity to see the practical application of these in an industry situation. Each class saw the process involved in ice cream production and got to produce their own Valhalla flavour. Then we tested it – yum!!!

ROSNY COLLEGE WORKSHOP

The Lifestyle and Fashion class recently attended a fun “Shoe Workshop” run by the Textiles department at Rosny College. Students decorated shoes with ribbons, beads, other accessories, paints, use of stencils and collage. Shoes decorated included stilettos, vollies, kiddie shoes and thongs. Even laces received a facelift!!!

SWIMMING SUCCESS!
The Rose Bay High School Grade 7 and 8 Water Safety Program has come to an end for 2008. Over the past two weeks students have been encouraged to participate in a 5 day program at the Clarence YMCA Swim Centre to enhance their water safety skills and knowledge. We would like to congratulate and thank the 279 students (and their families) who took part for their overwhelming level of participation and their extremely positive approach to the sessions. This program was made feasible due to:

- the significant financial support of the School Association
- the massive commitment made by Mr Bavage, Mr Ruddock, Ms Wakefield, Ms Blackborrow, Mr McKay and Ms McKay who significantly increased their teaching load to minimise the cost of the program and maximise the learning opportunities for students.
- recognition from Mr Mannering and the school community of the importance of Water Safety, which allowed for the school to accommodate such a program.

We would also like to thank the friendly and dedicated YMCA Swim Teachers: Mel, Sophie, Simon, Sam and Jack.

The HPE Team look forward to conducting the upcoming School Athletics Carnival on the 21st and 22nd of October and the first Rose Bay High School Kim Kay Triathlon on the 10th of December.

2008 Rose Bay High School Variety Night

Come and see the talents of Rose Bay High School!!! Acts will include music, dance and drama performances and much more.

The 2008 Rose Bay High School Variety Night will be held in the Rosny College Auditorium on the 3rd of October. The show will start at 7.00pm and will conclude 9.00 pm. Tickets will cost $10.00 for adults and $5.00 for Children under 12.

There is limited seating so tickets will be available for order using the form at the back of this newsletter. Extra order Forms will be available from your office. Order forms should be accompanied by a payment (please see last page for order form).
**BRING HOME A BROTHER OR SISTER**

In February 2009, students aged 15-18 years, from over 15 countries will be arriving in Australia to study at local schools for 5 or 10 months. Opportunities exist to act as a host family in a volunteer/unpaid capacity. Hosting can be on a temporary, short or long term basis.

Host families help provide our students with the chance to study and experience life in Australia. This is a great way to learn about another country and culture, establish a lifelong link to a family in another country and contribute to international goodwill. If your family can offer a friendly, supportive and caring home environment, contact us today.

To learn more about this opportunity call Student Exchange Australia on 1300 135 331 or visit our website: [www.studentexchange.org.au](http://www.studentexchange.org.au)

We know that physical activity is important in the school environment, including PE classes, play time activities and extracurricular sports. But what physical activity option exists for children when they leave the school gates? How activity friendly is your local community?

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**THE ALANNAH AND MADELINE FOUNDATION**

Keeping children safe from violence

The Alannah and Madeline Foundation is a national charity *keeping children safe from violence*. The Foundation was set up in memory of Alannah and Madeline Mikac, aged 6 and 3, who with their mother and 32 others, were tragically killed at Port Arthur on April 28, 1996.

Our vision is that every child will live in a safe and supportive environment.

7A is raising funds to help the Alannah and Madeline Foundation as part of their Crime Stoppers Youth Challenge. The funds will go towards the purchasing of Buddy Bags for primary students who are the victims of violence and are removed from their home.

A free dress and crazy hair day will be held on the last day of term, Friday 5th September. Students will be asked to make a gold coin donation to help this worthy cause.

In addition, we are asking for donations of backpacks, pyjamas, under wear, singlets, hair...
brushes, tooth brushes, face washers, photo frames and pillow cases so that we can put together some Buddy Bags of our own.

Donations can be left at the Main Office or can be taken to 7A in C31 every morning in Class Teacher Period.

Help us to help others to have a better life.

Rose Bay High School Anti-Bullying Parent Forum
Wednesday 24th September (the first Wednesday of Term 3), from 6.00pm to 7.30pm in C11

7A will be hosting a Parent Forum where they will share their research into Bullying – when does it become a police matter.

All parents and students are welcome to attend to find out what is being done and what could be done about bullying.

A panel of ‘experts’ will be available to try to answer your questions and to listen to your ideas.

Come to this forum and help us to address this important issue.

Refreshments will be provided for a gold coin donation to support the Alannah and Madeline Foundation (see elsewhere in this edition for more information).

Donations of backpacks, pyjamas, under wear, singlets, hair brushes, tooth brushes, face washers, photo frames and pillow cases for Buddy Bags will also be accepted on the night.

Please contact the school if you will be attending.

Variety Night 2008 Order Form

Name: _________________________
Students Name: _________________________
Students home group: _____________
Number of Tickets:
$10 Adults : _________________________
$5 Children : _________________________
Method of payment Please Circle:  Cash or Cheque (to be addressed to Yarose or cheque will not be accepted)
Total cost $: _________________________

If you have any questions or queries please don’t hesitate to contact us at Yarose2008@gmail.com or call Christine Cash on 6243 8511

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