From The Principal

MDT Improvements

Included in this newsletter is an article by Mr Hadrill which outlines some significant improvements to the Materials, Design and Technology Area. These improvements have been facilitated by the Investing in Our Schools Program initiated by the previous Federal Government. As a school, we have been very well supported through this program. $150,000 was the maximum grant for any school. Rose Bay received the full grant and covered three main projects. These are:

- The installation of the school’s CCTV facility
- The provision of safety fences in the terraces and re-levelling and sealing of the upper terrace
- Improvements to the MDT area.

Athletics

The Inter-House Athletics program was once again an outstanding success. Congratulations to Mr Ruddock and the HPE staff team for all their expertise in the organisation of this carnival. Thanks also to all the teaching staff who worked tirelessly over the two days in what was at times very inclement weather.

Student participation levels were very high and the competition was close in a number of events.
Well done Wellington Red who took out both the Participation Shield and the Overall Carnival Points Tally.

We look forward to our team’s performance in the Inter-High Div A Carnival which will be held at the Domain Athletic Track on November 12.

MODERATION DAY – OCTOBER 24

All staff made great use of the professional learning day provided to us on Friday, October 24. We took the opportunity to review all of our student’s current results and to share these with our teaching colleagues in subject meetings held throughout the day. The school community’s support of this opportunity for staff meetings is greatly appreciated.

MODERATION 2009

At the recent School Association Meeting, approval was given to a request for two professional learning days for staff in 2009. These are: Monday, July 20 – it is hoped that this day will be a common day across all schools in the South East Learning Services area and Friday, October 23 for moderation purposes across all southern schools.

A letter to all parents and guardians regarding these days will be forwarded in the next week or two.

EISTEDDFOD

In the recent Clarence Eisteddfod, Rose Bay High School bands performed very well. The Concert Band took out second prize in their division as did the Stage Band. As a result of these performances the school received the Mayor’s Award for Music.

I would like to thank all those parents who went along to support our students and also conductor Mr Hunt and Ms Badcock, Mr Lawler and Ms Dawes for their efforts in preparing our students for this competition.

CELEBRATING MUSIC EDUCATION IN AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLS

In yesterday’s assembly, 50 Grade 9 and 10 musicians and 50 singers led the whole school in the song ‘Sing’ This song was written by three Melbourne high school students to celebrate the contribution Music makes to the education of students in Australian schools. This song was performed on October 23 around the country. As this was Hobart Show Day, Rose Bay’s performance was a week late but so we weren’t left out, our performance was filmed by Mr Sangwell to be placed on the Internet as a record of this celebration.

Burning Ernie also performed their new original composition, Little Green Monster and some ‘Spicks and Specks’ activities and musical jokes rounded off a very enjoyable assembly.

Well done Ms Dawes and all our performers!

Stephen Mannering
Principal

MDT WORKSHOP UPGRADE

In May 2006, the school successfully applied for a grant through DEST (Department of Education, Science & Technology) to upgrade the MDT workshop machinery, general dust extraction and to improve the staff office area. Together with the grant of $78,403.00 and additional school funds of
$30,000, all work has now been completed. The MDT staff have worked closely with contractors to ultimately provide students and staff with one of the most up to date facilities in a Tasmanian Government school including:

- State of the art industry standard sanders and dust extraction.
- New wood machining and break down area equipment, including expansion of the machine shop to provide a larger and safer work area for teachers and tech aides.
- Flame proof spray booth to allow for use of enamel as well as acrylic paints.
- Extended office space and viewing area for safety and supervision of students.
- Additional project storage area created for senior classes.

The MDT staff and students are now enjoying the benefits of this new area and thank the Federal Government for their grant and Mr Mannering and the school for the additional funds to ensure that all of the improvements could be completed.

Mr Stuart Hadrill
Acting Ast Technology

SPORTS UPDATE

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Athletics Carnival results from the 2008 Carnival held on Oct 21st and 22nd at the Domain Athletics Centre

Participation Points Shield
4th Yellow 561
3rd Green 581
2nd Blue 600
1st Red 662

Overall Carnival Results
4th Blue 2080 points
3rd Yellow 2551 points
2nd Green 2593 points
1st Red 2904 points

Champions

| Grade 7 | Boys Champion | Daniel Blazely | Y | 56 |
| Girls Champion | Katie-Lee Wise | R | 56 |
| R-up | Jacob Sansom | Y | 46 |
| Liberty Cleal | R | 52 |

| Grade 8 | Boys Champion | Jack Rust | R | 54 |
| Girls Champion | Makaila Higham | Y | 46 |
| R-up | Rayne Westbury | G | 44 |
| Teegan Roy | Y | 42 |

| Grade 9 | Boys Champion | Jake Jenkins | G | 56 |
| Girls Champion | Morgan Saward | Y | 56 |
| R-up | Sam Jacob | G | 38 |
| Molly Windfield-Petersen | Y | 52 |

| Grade 10 | Boys Track Champion | Jacob Johnstone | R | 34 |
| Track R-up | Jack Vanderlinden-Rothbauer | G | 26 |
| Girls Track Champion | Laura Clancy | Y | 30 |
| Track R-up | Emma Cowie | R | 22 |
| Boys Field Champion | Jordan Edmonson | R | 28 |
| Field R-up | Kane Westbury | R | 24 |
| Girls Field Champion | Lyarna Graham | R | 40 |
| Field R-up | Amy Baleibaravi | R | 30 |

The team to represent the school at the Inter High division A Carnival at the Domain on Wednesday 12th of November will be announced as soon as possible.

BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS – The Southern Secondary School Girls Basketball Championships was held over Show weekend (Friday 24 - Sunday 26 Oct) at the Kingborough
Sports Stadium. Rose Bay High School entered a team of girls from Grade 7-9 into this year’s event. The girls had a great tournament, making the Grand Final only to lose by a point in the last few seconds of the match! What an excellent result. A special thank you to Damon and Amanda Cohen for coaching the girls – your assistance is very much appreciated.

Drama, Media and Production

This year Rose Bay High School’s two Drama, Media and Production classes entered the Mystate Financial Student Film Festival. This was the first time Rose Bay students have entered this event.

The creation of the short films were a result of a 4 week unit on Media Studies. We learnt a great deal about many aspects of film and television making. This included time scripting, filming and editing, as well as time in front of the camera. This unit was one of many units studied this year; others include Shakespeare, theatre sports, monologues, Australian Drama and character development.

This year the festival’s core theme was “Shoes” and all film had to incorporate this. Between the two classes two short films were entered they were entitled Where is the Shoe? and Was it worth the shoes? In the High School section there were 50 entries, and even though Rose Bay was not chosen in the top three, we received very positive feedback.

Well done to all involved!

Siemens Science Experience 2009

Three days of hands-on science activities for students in Year 9 in 2008 who will be entering Year 10 in 2009.

Each Siemens Science Experience program is designed to provide those who have an interest in science with an opportunity to engage in a wide range of fascinating science activities under the guidance of researchers who love their work. The program also provides information about further studies in science, technology and engineering and highlights the wide range of careers that allow students to pursue their interest and abilities in the sciences.

The University of Tasmania programs will be held from: 13 - 15 January 2009 on the Hobart campus and 20 - 22 January 2009 on the Launceston campus.

The cost is $105 per student to cover the cost of the program. Students may seek financial sponsorship from a local Rotary Club or other sponsor to meet this cost. While each program is non-residential, discounted accommodation packages for participants and their families from regional areas will be made available at UTAS.

Places are still available in both the Hobart and Launceston programs. Students can enrol online directly at www.scienceexperience.com.au or send applications to Siemens Science Experience PO Box 514, BAYSWATER, Vic 3135. If you would like more details about the UTAS programs, please email set.enquiries@utas.edu.au.

Uniform Shop

Please note as of November 1st:
School shirts White & Blue will be increasing to $14.00.
Sky blue polo tops will also be $14.00.
Aprons are now $7.00
Pre-order forms for 2009 are going to be sent with newsletters shortly or can be collected from the Office.

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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

Rose Bay High School
1989 reunion

A 20-year school reunion is being planned for 1989 leavers of Rose Bay High School. If you were a student or teacher of this year, or know of anyone that was, please contact Tanya Harman (nee Richardson) on 62 652384, 0419562326, or email tdharman@bigpond.net.au