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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](http://www.rosebay.tased.edu.au)

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### Parent Teacher Evening

I would like to thank all those parents who took the opportunity to come into school to discuss aspects of their child’s learning with members of staff last Wednesday. We greatly appreciate your support in our efforts to ensure all of our students are working at capacity and achieving their potential at school. These discussions will hopefully provide the impetus for our students as they move towards their final assessments in December next term.

The final school report will be forwarded to parents and guardians in the second last week of Term 3 on Friday, December 12.

### 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.
JAPANESE VISITORS

Over the last two weeks we have had the pleasure of having at school seven additional visiting students from Japan. These students have been provided with English language lessons in the morning each day by Ms Alison Aungles. In the afternoon, students have joined regular classes with host Rose Bay students.

The visit has been an outstanding success and I would like to thank all those families from school that have so willingly accepted these students into their homes.

In Grade 7 we have also welcomed from Japan Takumi Komatsu. Takumi is also visiting Rose Bay on a different educational program and will be with us until the end of next week. Takumi is a seasoned traveller, having spent a number of years in the USA. I would like to thank all the members of 7A who have made Takumi feel welcome and wish him a safe journey back to Japan.

I’m sure these visitation programs add greatly to our students’ cultural awareness and also bring home the relevance of the Japanese language to them as learners.

SECOND HALF OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR

We have now moved beyond the mid point in the school year. With mid year reports completed we will now take the opportunity to regroup and to move forward with our focus clearly on the learning that students are expected to attain by December.

As Grade 10s are staying on this year until the final school day on Thursday, December 18, examinations for Grade 10’s have been moved to mid year. These examinations will provide students with both an ‘exam experience’ and provide an indication of their learning success under exam conditions. The results from these examinations will contribute to their final results in December. Feedback from teachers on their performance in these assessment opportunities will enable them to set achievable and worthwhile targets for the end of the year.

For all students, there will be final assessment tasks to complete throughout the latter part of Term 3.

I hope that all parents, armed with the information they have received both through school reports and discussions with teachers, will emphasise the importance of students attending school regularly, being prepared for work and being fully engaged in their school program.

Stephen Manneding
Principal

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION AND ASSESSMENT FOR SCHOOLS - SCIENCE

Results 2008

This year a small number of students entered this competition. Science is one of a group of competitions conducted nationally across Australia and 12 countries and attracting over 1.5 million entries worldwide. They are a useful independent assessment and diagnostic test.

This year’s participants did very well.

Credits
Grade 7 Laura Harle, Alison Hay
Grade 8 Hayden Arnett, Sean Delaney, Adrian Hutchinson
Grade 9 James Campbell-Graham
Grade 10 Ayrton Partridge, Mikaela Seabourne

Distinction
Grade 7 Annika Lee

Well done to all who entered.
CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Nathan Wills (10E) on his selection in the Tasmanian U16 Rugby team to play against Victorian schools next weekend.

Trent McLaughlin (9C) who was recently awarded a ‘Lord Taverner’s Award’ for disabled athletes – this award will go towards helping Trent with his swimming training.

UNIFORM – SHOES
I have recently had some concerns raised about student footwear and thus have reprinted the information about shoes that was included in a Newsletter earlier this year:

The Parent Information booklet states that: “All footwear must provide sufficient protection for wear in a kitchen, workshop and laboratory.”

There has been a recent trend for girls, and some boys, to wear footwear that provides very little protection and, if the shoes worn to school are considered unsafe or inappropriate, students may not be permitted to participate in some classes and will also be treated as being out of school uniform. Flat, court shoes are especially unsafe in a school environment and do not constitute school uniform. (Please see examples overleaf),

Shoes are part of the school uniform and the wearing of inappropriate footwear will result in the same consequences as being out of uniform.

The support of parents in ensuring that the uniform and footwear requirements of the School and the School Association are met is appreciated.

Greg Sawyer
Assistant Principal
Here are some examples of shoes that are NOT acceptable for school wear.

The uppers offer insufficient protection from falling objects or spilt chemicals or liquids.

The soles are thin and slippery and are dangerous when worn on stairs, outdoor areas or wet floors.

These shoes slip off easily, causing a hazard on staircases.

Ugg boots, thongs, slippers, high heels and other fashion items are NOT permitted.

Traditional school shoes or Joggers (below) are permitted as they offer greater protection from falling objects and liquid spills. They have sturdier, rubber soles which are non-slip and straps or laces which ensure that they do not fall off. Joggers, preferably black, are acceptable footwear at Rose Bay.
**CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL**

On Wednesday 9 July, 220 Rose Bay Students competed in our schools Inter-House Cross Country Carnival.

The weather was unfortunately cold and windy but that didn’t stop the Cross-Country enthusiasts from showing up in their shorts and shirts, with their hair sprayed and their faces painted.

The Grade 7’s represented a large portion of the runners with the Grade 7 girls off the mark with a cheer.

There was a huge turnout of participants and supporters alike at the finish line to cheer on their Houses and friends.

The final results are as follows:

**Team Participation**

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**Team Championship**

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**Individual champions:**

- **Grade 7**
  - Madison Gadd
  - Jacob Herbert
- **Grade 8**
  - Makaila Higham
  - Kyeden Grafton
- **Grade 9**
  - Morgan Saward
  - Gavin Byrd
- **Grade 10**
  - Danielle Hudson
  - Jacob Johnstone

It was from this carnival that the Inter-High Cross Country team was selected (the top 6 finishers of each event). The team competed at the Southern Secondary Schools Inter-High Cross Country Carnival at Pontville on Thursday 31 July.

Some stand out performances from the day included Gavin Byrd of Grade 9 who received a Bronze medal in his event, Morgan Saward who finished 7th in the Grade 9 Girls event, Jack Rust who finished 8th in the Grade 8 Boys event, and Danielle Hudson of Grade 10 who finished 9th in her event.

Thank you to those parents who helped out as officials.

The overall results were:
- **1st** Taroona High School
- **2nd** Clarence High School
- **3rd** Rose Bay High School

Well done to all participants!

This year’s Hobart Eisteddfod classes for our, forty odd, talented musicians were held on the 15 and 16th of July. Our Senior Concert Band played extremely well and was enthusiastically applauded by the audience. In the Stage Band section we received an equal first award with Taroona High School and the adjudicator stated that the group performed with a great feel for the style and with confidence.
Last year’s prize winning clarinet ensemble the Clarinet ensemble acquitted itself with a well-balanced and blended sound.

The newly formed flute ensemble took part in their first eisteddfod event in the 14 and under section. They showed great development and potential and we look forward to hearing their efforts at the Clarence Eisteddfod in October.

Our saxophone quartet received a merit award and performed with maturity, a balanced sound and finesse. Thank you to all our student musicians for their hard work during week-end and after-school rehearsals.

If you return the questionnaire by 22 August 2008, as a way to say thank you, your name will be placed in a draw to win a $100 gift voucher from Myer, Coles or Woolworths.

If you have any questions regarding School Life or need another copy, please contact Jordyan Henricks on telephone 6233 7497 or via email jordyan.henricks@education.tas.gov.au

**PLEASE NOTE:** A COPY OF THE BOOKLET WAS SENT HOME WITH THE YOUNGEST CHILD IN EACH FAMILY ON WEDNESDAY 6 AUGUST.

**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

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- Provides on road and off road walking paths and cycling tracks
- Prioritises the needs of pedestrians by providing appropriate crossings and traffic speed deterrents
- Is aesthetically pleasing with trees, plants, grassy spaces and plenty of shady areas
- Encourages children to play by providing modern interesting play equipment for all ages and abilities
- Has a variety of sporting facilities that appeal to a broad interest range
- Promotes the use of active transport to school
- Encourages responsible dog ownership with plenty of appropriate on-leash areas

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

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1. Did you receive a copy of School Life?
   □ Yes □ No

2. Did you find the handbook useful?
   □ Yes □ No
   If yes, which sections were of interest to you?
   - Tasmanian Government Schools Overview
   - Where your child can go to school
   - Travelling to school and out of hours child care
   - What your child will be taught
   - Your child's progress
   - Costs and financial assistance
   - Parent and carer rights and responsibilities
   - Health and wellbeing
   - Getting involved in your school community
   - Contacts

3. Did you find the articles easy to read?
   □ Yes □ No
   Comments:

4. What did you think about the overall design of the handbook, eg bright colour, photos, number of pages, size, etc? Please comment:

5. Can you make any suggestion for future editions?
   eg would you like a calendar style, diary format or maybe something else?
   eg do you have any suggested articles or topics?

Name: ________________________________________ Phone: ___________________