**Some Key Dates**

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A full year school calendar is available on the school website: [www.rosebay.tased.edu.au](http://www.rosebay.tased.edu.au)

**Other important dates 2010:**

Early Start Program for new Grade 7’s and other new enrolments from Grade 8, 9 and 10 – Tuesday, February 9 – 9am until 12.30pm [bbq lunch provided]. Parents are welcome to join the bbq between 12.30 and 1pm. Students are to be collected by 1pm.

Term 1 Commences – Wednesday, February 10
End of Term 1 – Friday, May 28
Easter break – Friday, April 2 – Friday, April 9
Term 2 Commences – Tuesday, June 15
End of Term 2 – Friday, September 3
Term 3 Commences – Monday, September 20
End of Term 3 – Thursday, December 16

**From the Principal**

2009 is quickly drawing to a close, however, the last few weeks for staff and students are particularly hectic as we plan for 2010 and conclude the academic program for this year.

**Peer Support**

During this week 60 students have attended Peer Support Training in readiness, for their work with our incoming Grade 7s. The Peer Support Program plays a major role in our transition planning for our Grade 7’s and they move into their 4 years of secondary education.

I would particularly like to thank all of those staff members who have volunteered to play a role in the training and supervision of Peer Support leaders for 2010.

**Orientation Day**

On Wednesday, 173 Grade 6 students visited the school for Orientation Day. Grade 10s students across the State were given the day off to enable this to occur.

I would like to thank Mrs Wakefield for all her efforts in organising this very important opportunity for our new students. I would also like to thank all those parents and guardians who gave up their time to be with us for the morning's events.
National Model Solar Car Event
Included in this newsletter is an article about Rose Bay’s participation in the National Model Solar Event held last weekend in Melbourne.

I would like to thank Mr Armstrong and Mrs Hay for all their efforts in supervising this trip to Melbourne. Our car finished in the top 16 entrants for the event. Well done!

Primary Band Tour
During this week the Concert and Stage Bands have visited a number of our nearby primary schools. This annual event is great way for our current students to share their musical development with their primary schools. Many thanks to Ms Dawes and all of the music staff for their organisation of this important performance opportunity for our band members.

Inter-House Triathlon
The Inter House Triathlon will be held on Thursday afternoon from 1.20 to 3.00. Parents and guardians are welcome to attend.

School Reports
School reports will be posted on Thursday, December 10 and those hand delivered will be given to students on Friday, December 11. If you have any queries regarding these reports please don’t hesitate to contact us prior to the conclusion of the school year.

Achievement Afternoon
Parents and family members are invited to our annual Achievement Afternoon Assembly which will be held on Tuesday, December 15. The assembly will commence at 1.30 in the Gymnasium. All guests are asked to be seated by 1.25
The assembly will conclude by 3.00pm

Grade Day
Our annual Grade Day will be held on Wednesday, December 16. Individual notices for each grade have been distributed for this day. A small number of students who have not been invited to attend will be supervised at school by Mr Sawyer and Mr Mannering.

Grade 10 Assembly
Parents and family members of our exiting Grade 10’s are invited to attend the ‘Farewell Grade 10 Assembly’ on Thursday, December 17. The assembly will commence at 11.00 and will conclude around 12.00. Grade 10’s will be dismissed at the conclusion of the assembly. We look forward to seeing you.

School Jazz Band
The School Jazz Band recently performed at the Cambridge School fair. Andy Muirhead from the ABC was the host for the fair and heard the band perform. He has now asked the band members to go into the ABC studios on Friday, December 18 to perform live in his morning breakfast program.

Final Newsletter
Our final newsletter for 2009 will be distributed on the last day of Term, December 17.

Stephen Mannering
Principal

Stars of Sport
Congratulations to:

Welcome to the update for the Rose Bay High Tiger Cubs Touch Football Team

Round 7. Our Captain for the day was Melanie Horne. What a game!!! Started a little slow in the first half, but came home like a rocket in the second half. To say we won would be understating it somewhat. The final score was a massive 13 – 1 our way. Top Jobs girls. Oh BTW RUN STRAIGHT, not side ways !!!! LOL. Only one more roster game before the finals. Come along and support us in our finals if you can. A cheer squad would be nice to see.

Round 8. Our Captain for the day was Amber Best. Well the last game of the rounds was upon us, and the pressure was on. We had a full side and wanted to finish the rounds undefeated. Our first half was the best we have ever played. Second half was a touch dodgy. Due to the grit of the team we ended the rounds on a high note. Final score was Rose Bay Tiger Cubs 6 – MacKillop Blue 3.
We now move into the finals and hopefully we can bring the trophy home to Rose Bay High.

Mick Sharman
Coach
Rose Bay High Tiger Cubs

NATIONAL MODEL SOLAR CAR CHALLENGE

Last weekend the members of the model solar car team, Josh McInerney, Ashley Swan and Alison Hay, travelled to Melbourne to race their car RACING STRIPES in the Australian-International Model Solar Car Challenge. The round robin seeding races were held on Saturday in cloudy conditions and our car was seeded in the top 16 and qualified to race in the main challenge.

On Sunday in sunny conditions our car won its first and second round races but was then narrowly defeated in the elimination round. It was great to be able to participate in the challenge, we have all learnt a lot about engineering and constructing a fast, light and strong aerodynamic model solar car.

Mr Armstrong was an expert tutor and taught us many of these things. The event was held at Scienceworks and we were briefly able to explore the fantastic hands on museum. We all thoroughly enjoyed a session in the Planetarium, and a presentation by an engineer from Toyota on the Prius hybrid car. Thank you to the Rose Bay High School community for supporting us with this project.

Farewell Chikako
Chikako Suzuki completed her student exchange and has returned to Japan. Chikako arrived in February this year. Her friendly face will be missed by all. She has been an excellent ambassador for her school and country. Chikako has worked hard on her studies and has made a significant contribution to our school culture. We would like to thank her for her involvement in school Netball, the Talent Show and for her dedication in her role as piano accompanist in the school production. She is also to be congratulated on her courage to live so far from home. Chikako returns to Japan with much improved English skills and we wish her every success and happiness for the future. Sayoonara.

On Thursday the 26th November the exceptionally “Exceeding Expectation” (XX) students ventured on a Group Bike ride from the school to the Valhalla Ice Cream factory in Moonah and back. To qualify for this excursion students needed to receive 15 or more XX awards throughout the year. The perfect weather, divine ice creams and experiencing the -25 degree ice cream freezer were highlights of the trip. The school wishes to acknowledge the wonderful contribution this group of students has made to our school this year.

Exceptionally Exceeding Expectation Students 2009:
Courtney Aram, Aleesha Cowen, James Warren, Murray Turner, Sam Charlton, Jeremy Edwards, Blaire Edmondson, Sarah Skromanis, Nicola Ramm, Samantha Oxley, Will Goodrick, Shae-Amy

**Exceeding Expectation Pizza Party**

Last Friday 90 students who received 8 – 15 XX awards were nominated by their Home Group teachers to receive an invitation to attend a Pizza Lunch Party. The man at Domino’s Pizza nearly dropped the phone when the order for 30 Pizza’s was made; more disturbing was the rate at which the pizzas were consumed on their arrival! Congratulations and thank you to those XX students.

**Ashmore Foods**

The year 9/10 Food Studies Classes have been studying "Australian Food and Culture" during this term. These classes have been learning about and tasting foods produced by local Tasmanian Companies. We have also been sourcing local ingredients as well as using Native Tasmanian Produce and some Traditional "Bush Tucker".

It has been a very interesting and enjoyable cooking and tasting all these products. We would particularly like to thank James Ashmore of "Ashmore’s Foods", Mornington for donating some beautiful fresh local fish, it helped enormously with our classes and was very much appreciated by all who were involved.

Leanne Young

**Do you want to play Basketball in 2010?**

South East Basketball Association provides basketball opportunities for all children aged from 7 years to Senior level. All games are played at the Dodges Ferry Community Recreation Centre.

Registration Forms Available at the Dodges Ferry Primary school office.

**If you don't complete a registration form you will not be placed in a team.**

**Time is running out!!!**

Enquiries: Margaret Hawkes 6265 8959

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**Cavaliers Basketball Club**

Registration for 2010

SUN 6th DEC, 11am-12.30

Warrane Stadium

Cnr Bligh & Dampier Sts

For further information please contact Angela on 62 441 800 or 0418 441 357 or Annabelle Mollineaux on 62 487989 or 0408 650 626

**Clarence Council Youth Services Grade 5-8**

January/February 2010 School Holiday Program

Clarence Plains Youth Centre 9.30am – 3.30pm

Warrane/Mornington Neighbourhood Centre 9.45am – 3.15pm

Risdon Vale Community Hall 10.00am – 3.00pm

Please note time change for 5th Feb – departing ½ hour earlier and returning ½ hour later

Wed 27th Jan – Woody’s Skate Centre & Glenorchy Pool

Fri 20th Jan – Zoo Doo & Richmond Lolly Shop

Mon 1st Feb – Ten Pin Bowling & Montrose Park

Fri 5th Feb – Hastings Caves & Thermal Pool

**Donation $3.00 each trip**

Please note permission slips need to be completed and returned with full payment to youth workers at the recreations programs or the CPYC by Thursday 10th December 2009. PAYMENT for trips will be required to confirm booking due to limited seats on the bus. Cut lunch and drinks will be required for all trips.

**ALL TRIPS ARE SUBJECT TO WEATHER CONDITIONS**

Special Events – own transport required

Wed 3rd Feb – Health & Wellbeing Expo with Hawthorn Football Club 4pm-7.30pm at Kangaroo Bay Oval

Wed 10th Feb – Family Fun Day 11am-2pm at the CPYC – 6 Grange Road, Rokeby