Some Key Dates

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Other important dates:

Term 2 Commences – Monday, June 15
End of Term 2 – Friday, September 4
Term 3 Commences – Monday, September 21
Show Day – October 22
End of Term 3 (Grades 7-10) – Thursday, December 17

From the Principal

I am really pleased to report that 2009 has commenced very positively with the great majority of our students making an excellent start to the year.

I would particularly like to acknowledge the efforts of those senior students who are really making a big effort to set an excellent example for others within the school.

As the Grades 10’s remained at school until the end of 2008, students in this year’s Grade 9 and 10 did not get the chance to step into the gap that was traditionally left at the end of November. They are currently doing a very good job in demonstrating their capacity as the senior students in the school and I look forward to this effort being maintained throughout the year.

I would also like to acknowledge all members of the staff as they have ensured that this year has begun so efficiently and effectively.

I have once again included a copy of some information in this newsletter for students which may help to focus their efforts as they commence the year.

A full year school calendar is available on the school website: www.rosebay.tased.edu.au
**Capital Works and the Economic Stimulus Package**

This year will see building work commence around July/August on Stage 2 of the School’s Redevelopment Program. This program will see the top floor of C Block and the Middle floor of B Block completely refurbished. The old toilet and change rooms at the entrance to the school will be demolished and a new Drama and Dance studio along with new toilets will also be constructed.

Initial estimates in 2008 for the planned works unfortunately saw our more ambitious plans ‘over budget’. These have now been modified around a more conservative design which utilises more of the existing floor plan.

As most members of the school community will be aware, the Commonwealth Government has provided significant funding to schools across Australia for new infrastructure. Whilst there is specific funding mainly directed at primary schools, all schools can apply for funding up to $200,000 (according enrolment size) for refurbishment of existing school buildings and facilities. These funds will be used at Rose Bay to ensure that the full scope of this major building project are realised.

**Education Tax Refund**

The Commonwealth Government has introduced a 50 percent Education Tax Refund on eligible education expenses incurred from 1 July 2008 for eligible families. For more details on this scheme refer to the following website - [www.educationtaxrefund.gov.au](http://www.educationtaxrefund.gov.au)

**Inter-House Swimming Carnival – Change of Date**

As a result of the Clarence Pool giving priority to the Primary Swimming Program, our booking for the 9th of April is unable to proceed. We have now arranged to bus participating students to Glenorchy Pool on March 27. The carnival will commence at 10.00am and conclude at 2.00pm. Parents and family members are welcome to attend.

A separate permission/entry form will be sent home next week for those students who are interested in competing.

**School Buses**

As many parents will be aware there have been some major changes to bus arrangements for students coming to and from Dunalley and Dodges Ferry. I would like to thank all those parents who have been working behind the scenes to ensure that these bus services meet the needs of their children.

I would also like to thank all those students using the Seven Mile Beach Metro service. I have had a very pleasing report of their excellent behaviour and manners whilst travelling to and from school.

**IPODS**

As the result of a number of students wishing and sometimes demanding, to use their ipods in classes, the teaching staff have requested that students use these only when travelling to and from school and at recess and lunch. It is simply impossible to undertake an effective teaching and learning program when some students are unable hear what the teacher is saying to the class. The only exception to this will be in music, dance, art and computing classes during double periods.

*Should teachers need students to have their ipods in class for an educational purpose; permission will be given to students by their teacher.*
**University of New South Wales Competitions and Assessments**

In 2009 interested students will be given the opportunity to participate in the UNSW competitions in English, Mathematics, Writing, Spelling, Science and Computer Skills.

The information below is provided for those who may want to take part.

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It is important that interested students see the relevant contact teacher as soon as possible to let them know of their interest.

**Uniform**

As the weather will soon begin to cool down I would like to remind all parents that the school’s Code of Dress excludes the wearing of ‘hoodies’ to school. This requirement has been in place for over 10 years. I would really appreciate it if students who are unable to be in full school uniform are not provided with notes giving them permission to wear these tops to school. Notes giving permission for students to breach the school’s Code of Dress are simply not appropriate.

On rainy days, a raincoat including a hood is perfectly acceptable. For the cold days the school provides an economical dark blue polar fleece which can be worn in class. Should parents choose not to purchase this item of uniform, a blue coat of similar design will be accepted when travelling to and from school. A non uniform coat or jacket however cannot be worn in class and will only be accepted in the grounds on exceptionally cold days.

As a school community we have worked diligently for many years to raise the public profile of this school.

Uniform and the presentation of our students both in and outside the school are one of the key measures the great majority of the public use to make judgments about schools.

I hope that all parents will continue to support us in ensuring that their children maintain these very reasonable expectations.

Information regarding school uniform has been provided to every enrolling student in their Parent Information Pack. Details are also printed in every student planner and are available on the school’s website at: [http://www.rosebay.tased.edu.au](http://www.rosebay.tased.edu.au) Follow the pathway – Policies/Uniform

**Newsletter and Report Distribution**

I would like to thank all those parents and guardians for returning the circular regarding the various methods of distribution for the school newsletter and school reports.

The results of this process were:

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As you can see from these figures, a large number of forms have not been returned to the school. As a result of this, our second newsletter has been distributed at school. By the time the next newsletter is due on 27 March 2009, we will utilise the information you have provided for distribution.
During Term 1 newsletters will be distributed every 3 weeks on a trial basis.

Stephen Mannering
Principal

Starting the Year with the Right Stuff

How successful your year will be is in your hands. What is your year going to be like?

As a student, your best motivator is yourself. You are in charge of your attitudes and habits. Here are some proven ways to start the year with the right stuff so you can achieve the success you are capable of.

1. **Get serious.** Make the decision to give this year your absolute best effort. Decide that you are going to give 100% in all your work. Get serious and don’t mess around anymore.

2. **Identify your ‘Limiting Step’.** What’s your limiting step? What’s the most important thing that is holding you back? Ask your teachers, particularly those who know you well to help you find out what you need to be good at, in order to move forward. It could be keeping your work more organised, understanding key concepts, using your class time more productively or simply asking for help when you get stuck. Try to identify what’s holding you back, what’s your critical limiting step that’s an obstacle to your success.

3. **Spend time with the right people.** Who are the right people? The right people are those who work hard in class, who pay attention when the teacher speaks, those who get their work done, and those who ask questions and take an active part in their lessons. These people are the achievers; they are the students who have learning goals and set themselves high standards. Set an example for your friends and hopefully they might get the message too.

4. **Take excellent care of your health.** Take excellent care of yourself. Have a good diet, exercise regularly and get plenty of sleep. As a teenager, your body needs more sleep now than at any other time of your life. Getting to school on time and not being absent may be all it takes for you to step up your results from unsatisfactory to satisfactory.

5. **Positive visualisation.** Picture yourself as the very best in the class. Like a sports star, all improvement in your life begins with an improvement in your mental picture. Visualise yourself as the best you can be.

6. **Positive self-talk.** Talk positively all the time. Say to yourself, “I can be good at this, I can do this. This is a challenge but I’m sure I’ll succeed in the long run”. Learning is meant to be a challenge, if we knew the answers we wouldn’t be learning. Where you’re going in the future is up to you. Begin with positive self talk.

7. **Write down your personal goals for the year.** Setting goals gives you focus and purpose. Write them down and keep them with you. Put them in your planner as a reminder of what you aim to achieve. Goals shape decisions and help you change and grow. Discuss strategies to achieve your goals with your family, teachers and trusted friends.

8. **Positive action.** Get going. Get on with it. Develop a sense of urgency for your work, this will help to separate you from those who are taking their time at the moment and don’t seem to care about their futures. When you have a task, get on with it. Once a task is completed to the best of your ability, no one can ask for more. Positive action will make you successful and after being successful, no one wants to be second best.

Make this year your best year yet!

Adapted from Self-Motivators by Brian Tracy, Success Mastery Academy
Stars of Sport

Congratulations to Sam McIntyre (10B) and Jemma Plummer (9D) who are both Tasmanian Institute of Sport (TIS) scholarship holders for soccer.
Jemma will soon be heading to China with the TIS team and we wish her all the best and look forward to hearing of her experiences.

The Pirates of Penzance

Two current students, Emily Burgess and Lucy Wilkins, are starring alongside former students, Ash Boxall, Mel Barrett, Matthew Todd, Oliver Reading and Jacqueline Rogerson, in the Pirates of Penzance.
The Hobart Summer School production is being staged at The Hobart College Theatre and runs from February 27 to March 7.
For some excellent entertainment, get along to see these talented young performers in action.

On Friday February 20th three students from Rose Bay were invited to participate in the first Australian Youth Forum at the State Cinema, North Hobart. Zac Hardaker, Lucy Wilkins and Alyssa Anning were 3 of over 1,000 young Australians linked by satellite to give them the opportunity to express their views directly to the Government on topics including ‘Violence and Safety’ and ‘Contributing to our Democracy.’
It’s pleasing to see Rose Bay students involving themselves in discussions that will have strong input into Government policy.

Darren Sangwell
SRC Coordinator

New electronic speed limit signs for Tasmania’s School Zones

Electronic speed limit signs are now operating in nine Tasmanian school zones. The State Government has installed the signs to improve safety for students crossing the road outside their school.

The aim of the new electronic speed limit signs is to boost the visibility of school zone speed limit signage and to lessen confusion for motorists as to exactly when the speed limit operates.

The signs will operate only at times when children are entering or leaving school and the speed limit is in place. When the school zone is not operating the sign will be blank.

By July 2011 all schools with a 40km/h speed limit zone will be fitted with a set of electronic speed limit signs according to priority.

Building the Education Revolution Stimulus Package in Tasmania

Premier and Minister for Education and Skills, David Bartlett, recently unveiled plans for the greatest school modernisation program in Tasmanian history under the Australian Government’s Building the Education Revolution stimulus package.

Tasmanian schools are expected to receive around $370 million, with construction and maintenance works to start as quickly as possible to have the greatest impact on job creation.

There are three key elements of the package:

- **Primary Schools for the 21st Century** - for Tasmanian primary schools, special schools and district high schools (primary component only) for projects up to around $3 million with a priority on libraries, general purpose halls and indoor sports centres.

- **National School Pride Program** – applies to all Tasmanian schools for small scale maintenance and minor works projects up to a maximum of around $200,000.

- **Science and Language Centres for 21st Century Secondary Schools** - 500 projects nationally. This is a competitive process with decisions made by the Australian Government on the basis of submissions lodged.
Schools will need to finalise plans for the works by the end of March, with works expected to get underway for some schools by April.

If you have any questions about what the education stimulus package means for your school, please contact your Principal.

**The Education Tax Refund – Get 50% back**
Under the new Education Tax Refund, parents and others who are eligible can now claim 50% of their eligible education expenses up to $750 for primary students and $1500 for secondary students.

This means you could receive a refund each year of up to $375 for each primary and $750 for each secondary school student in your care.

**Are you eligible?**
To be eligible you must have received Family Tax Benefit Part A for each child whose education expenses you wish to claim. You can also claim the Education Tax Refund if you were stopped from receiving Family Tax Benefit Part A because your child received any of the following:
- Youth Allowance (student) aged 18
- Disability Support Pension
- ABSTUDY
- the Veterans’ Children Education Scheme
- the Student Financial Supplement Scheme
- a scheme under s258 of the Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004
- an Australian Postgraduate Award.

**Independent students are also eligible to claim.**

**What can you claim?**
You can claim the purchase, lease, hire or hire-purchase costs, repairs and running costs of:
- laptops, home computers and associated costs — for example, internet and paper
- educational software, printers, USB flash drives, disability aids to assist in the use of computer equipment for students with special needs
- stationery and art supplies
- school textbooks and associated learning materials
- trade tools and safety equipment for secondary school trade courses.

Some of the expenses you cannot claim includeschool fees or the cost of school uniforms, school excursions or travel to and from school, musical instruments or sporting equipment, clothing or footwear. For a more comprehensive list visit [www.educationtaxrefund.gov.au](http://www.educationtaxrefund.gov.au)

**When can you claim?**
You can claim your education expenses in your 2009 tax return. If you do not have to lodge a tax return, you will be able to lodge a separate claim with the Tax Office from 1 July 2009.

*Remember, you need to keep all receipts for expenses you claim.*

If your education expenses in one year are more than the claim limit for your children, you can add the excess to your education expenses for the following year.

For more information:
- phone the Tax Office on 13 28 61.

Our school supports students with asthma and their families. The Term 1 Tasmanian Asthma Friendly Schools newsletter can be found online at [www.asthmafriendlyschools.org.au](http://www.asthmafriendlyschools.org.au). Go to top right corner, click home/latest news>Tasmania or contact the Asthma Foundation of Tasmania on 1800 645 130 for a copy.

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**Rose Bay High Bushfire Appeal**
Last month’s devastating bushfires in Victoria affected us all in a variety of ways. When given the opportunity to donate money the staff and students at Rose Bay demonstrated amazing compassion and generosity. In just two days $2193.50 was raised. It was obvious from some donations that several piggy banks had been entirely emptied and one teacher made jam and the proceeds were given to the appeal.

The money was sent directly to the Red Cross for distribution. Many thanks to all those who contributed.
CASUAL CLOTHES & CRAZY HAIR DAY!!!!!!!
Please come along in casual dress and make your hair CRAZY!

When: Friday, 20th March

Gold coin donation required. Money raised will go to the Cancer Council.

Youth Pathways can help young people who may be:

- struggling at school
- finding it “all too much”
- thinking about leaving but not sure what to do

Youth Pathways is an Australian Government funded Career Advice Australia programme run by Colony 47 which assists young people aged between 13 and 19 to make it through to the end of Year 12 (or its equivalent) where appropriate and/or to Polytechnics, apprenticeships / traineeships, University or employment and active participation in the community. Young people participating in Youth Pathways receive services which include:

- Personal one-on-one assistance to help identify strengths, goals and challenges;
- Individual support to achieve goals;
- Individual support and guidance to help overcome obstacles;
- Other services aimed at better equipping young people to successfully make the transition through school and from school to further education, training or employment

Youth Pathways is a “free” service that works with each young person on an individual basis.

Visits are at school during term and at local centres during the holidays, or can be negotiated with young people who are not at present attending school.

A Youth Pathways Advisor has been allocated to each school in Southern Tasmania. The person who is working at your school is Amy.

To have a chat to someone about Youth Pathways, contact the Youth Pathways office at Colony 47 or speak to the Year Co-ordinator who can arrange an appointment for you with Amy.

The Youth Pathways team are keen to talk to young people, parents, teachers and youth service providers to explain the programme.

Youth Pathways
Allports, 432 Elizabeth Street, North Hobart, 7000
Ph: 6214 1380
Fax: 62141395
Email: yp@colony47.com.au
Youth Pathways

An Australian Government Initiative
**Bring home a brother or a sister**

In July 2009, students aged 15-18 years from over 15 countries will be arriving in Australia to study at local schools for 5 to 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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**LINDISFARNE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB**

Registration Auskick – U/14 for Season 2009

Lindisfarne Primary School Kindergarten

Wednesday 4 March, 3.15 -5.30pm; For further information contact Natasha Bannerman, Registrar 6265 1886 or Mark Spong, President 6243 6903
CERVICAL CANCER (HPV) IMMUNISATION FOR GIRLS

This year, cervical cancer vaccine is only being offered to grade seven girls through the school programme. Other grades have already been covered over the previous two years.

Any girls who were not immunised in 2007 or 2008, are welcome to attend our public clinics:

Where: Clarence Community Health Centre
        Bayfield St
        Rosny Park
Date: First and Third Thursday of the Month
Time: 11.30 am – 12.00 pm (no appointment necessary)

Please be aware that the clinics are available for all members of the public, therefore delays in service may sometimes be experienced.

Three doses of the vaccine are required to complete the course.

Under the current State Government programme, the vaccine is free if the course is commenced before 30 June 2009, and completed by 30 December 2009.

A parent or guardian must attend with the child to give consent, if the child is under 18 years.

If you have any questions regarding immunisation, please telephone Clarence Council on 6245 8614, or contact your family doctor.

LINDISFARNE FOOTBALL CLUB INC. UNDER 17 COLTS TRAINING

If you require any more information you can contact any of those listed below.

Justin Rainbird
Under 17 Coach
Ph. 0439372530

Tony Hilder
Director Junior Development & Coaching
Ph. 62724161

Chris Russell
Junior Development Officer
Ph. 0419005080

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Salamanca Arts Centre, 77 Salamanca Place, Battery Point
Enter via Kelly’s Garden and take the stairs to the top floor
www.kickstart.org.au
Nelson Eastern Suburbs Football Club
Wants YOU!

Girl Soccer Players
(Grade 7, 9 and 10)

Are you looking for somewhere to play youth football in 2009? (or soccer if you like that name better), yes? Then read on, you might be interested in playing for our club. Nelson Eastern Suburbs Football Club, we’re based at North Warrane Oval in Bounty Street, Warrane.

What is the most important thing about us? We think that everyone wishing to play football should have the opportunity to participate & we're on the Eastern Shore

Coaching: Most of our youth coaches are senior players & all have coaching accreditation & experience. The emphasis is on possession football, playing with style & enjoying it.

Rose Bay High School Training and Registration Afternoon for 2009 youth teams will be on Wednesday 11 March 2009 3.15pm – 4.30pm at Rose Bay High Top Oval. Come along, we’ll be organizing some small sided games (with problems to solve) that will be typical of our senior & youth training sessions – an afternoon snack to finish.

Registration Fees for 2009 are $100 for students at Rose Bay High; this covers ground hire, equipment, first aid, insurance, team registration and umpire fees.

Oh, we have a website too, check it out http://www.myspace.com/nelsonunited

Go on, give Michelle Castle, our Youth Development Officer a call or email her. Or have a chat to Mr. Bradburn at school who is our U17 boys coach for more details.

Phone: 6278 1095 (h) Mobile: 0407 561 548
Email: michelle.castle@education.tas.gov.au