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

Other important dates:
End of Term 2 – Friday, September 3
Term 3 Commences – Monday, September 20
Show Day – October 21
End of Term 3 (Grades 7 – 10) – Thursday, December 16

The next professional learning day approved by the School Association is Friday, October 22.

From the Principal

School Reports
Teaching staff have spent many, many hours reviewing their students’ assessments and preparing this year’s mid-year reports.

Reports will be posted on Monday, July 26, distributed to students on Tuesday, July 27 and parent/teacher interviews will be conducted on Wednesday, August 4.

It would be appreciated if all parents could work through their child’s report with them, highlighting positive achievements and noting any areas that need attention. In this process, it will very important to ensure that students see these reports as an opportunity to celebrate what has been achieved and to acknowledge those things that they need to focus on in the remainder of the year. For many students, these reports will be acknowledgement of the excellent work they are doing here at school, whilst for some, however, they will indicate that they need to give more attention to their work and they should try to take this opportunity to make some resolutions about how they will work to improve their learning throughout the remainder of this year.

Parent/teacher interviews will also enable you to speak with subject teachers to follow up on any issues that have been raised in the written report.
Staff
Mrs Cameron has unfortunately had to take extended leave to care for sick, elderly members of her immediate family. We anticipate that she will return to school early in Term 3. Whilst she is on leave, Mrs Tammy Stanford will look after her classes.

Mr McDonald is also unwell. His classes will be covered by Mr Cruttendon until August 11 with a likely extension until the end of term.

Professional Learning Day
I would like to thank all parents and guardians for their support of the professional learning opportunity provided to staff on Monday, July 19. Mrs Powell (Literacy Leader) led two sessions on teaching methodology and literacy teaching. This was followed by subject planning time for staff. These days are an excellent opportunity for staff to cover areas of educational practice without having to cram the learning into after school meetings at the end of a full day’s work.

Mural Project
This week, a group of art students began designing and painting new murals with the help of artists Nick Urne, Andrew Greeley, Aedan Howlett and James Walsh who are sponsored by the Clarence City Council. Photos of the current murals have been taken for school records by James Mitchell of 9A

International Student
This week we welcomed to school our third and final international student for this year. Fukachan Koike has joined 7B. Fukachan will be with us until the end of her Grade 9 year. She has been made very welcome by the students in 7B. They all now have a really good reason to ensure their Japanese language skills are well developed.

Stars of Sport
Congratulations to:

Matilda Wiggins (7A) has been selected in the Tasmanian U13 netball team and we wish her well at the National Championships.

Jack Short has been excelling in Mountain bike riding and gained 4th place in the Dirt Devils Competition – a qualifying race for the National Championships. We wish Jack luck with selection and future competition.

Stacie Hutchinson, Cassie Tye and Mikaela Wedge who recently returned from representing the state in the National Women’s Under 15 Soccer Championships in Coff’s Harbour.

Chris Cohen (7B) played in the southern U14 basketball team that finished as runner up in its division at a tournament in Nunnawading.

The results from the Tasmanian All Schools Cross Country Championships are now on the Athletics Tasmania website http://www.tasathletics.org.au/

The following results were recorded by Rose Bay students at the all schools championships held on Tuesday 6th July at the Symonds Plains course. Fields of up to 150 runners competed in each race.

The highlight for Rose Bay was the victory by Matthew Sinclair in the Under 17 boys race.

All team members were a pleasure to take to represent the school and enjoyed the challenges the day presented.

Under 17 Men
Matthew Sinclair  1st  22.35

Under 17 Women
Ashleigh McLarin  21st  20.15
Makaila Higham   47  21.51
Bianca Cathro   no result

Under 16 Women
Madison Gadd   17th  19.57
Kate Lindsay  55th  21.38
Gemma Brooks  56th  21.38
SCIENCE & ENGINEERING CHALLENGE 2010

This year Rose Bay High entered the challenge for the third time and on July 8, 35 students spent the day at Moonah competing against seven other schools. There were eight different challenges which teams of student competed against other schools.

The challenges were;

**Crypto Cracking Cronies** - Code Breaking,

**ElectraCITY** – being put in charge of managing the electricity supply of a city from three generators to all the houses using a minimum number of wires and thus cost,

**The Dish** – entails designing and building a dish to pick up and interprete “signals” from outer space,

**The War Machine** - making a catapult and launching a tennis ball.

**The Great Tea Race** – involves making a boat which is drawn through the water with a pulley and weights. The winning entry is the fastest to cover a set distance.

**Eco-Habitech** – building a house with as little material as possible to withstand strong winds and be insulated from the sun,
**Puff-Puff Golf** – constructing a lightweight, balloon powered car to travel maximum distance and later with adjustments to traverse a circle,

**Gold Fever** – Designing and building a bridge to carry the maximum amount of gold from a mine before the bridge collapses.

We had a thoroughly enjoyable day, even though not all activities were a complete success. We finished 4th overall and are looking forward to next year.

M Dickenson  
(AST Science)

**Bus Safety**  
The Metro has informed us of two accidents that have occurred in recent weeks when passengers have attempted to cross the road in front of the bus and have been struck by a car.

This is a reminder to all students who catch buses to take care and travel safely when waiting for, travelling on board or immediately after disembarkation. Three simple rules to follow are:

1. Stand well back when waiting for or after exiting the bus
2. Wait for the bus to move off before crossing the road
3. Do not cross the road until you are able to see both ways

Parents/carers who are collecting students by car are also urged to take care when meeting their children, and please avoid parking on the opposite side of the road form the bus stop.

Travel safely!!

Greg Sawyer  
Assistant Principal

Grade 10 students have been issued with an order form for 2010 Leavers tops. Orders need to be returned to the school office by 1st August.

**Water Safety Grade 7**  
The Rose Bay Health and Wellbeing team are pleased to announce that Grade 7 students will be participating in a Water Safety Program. The program will involve 5 consecutive days of swimming at the Clarence YMCA Aquatic Centre. Students will be placed in small groups based on their swimming ability and will be assigned a swim teacher for the week.

This program is a considerable undertaking requiring extensive planning, finance (approximately $4700) and support from all staff. We ask that the School Community supports this program by ensuring students participate actively and benefit from the consecutive days of swimming. We realise that with this age group that several issues do arise, students are permitted to wear rash vests and students who are unable to participate will not be going to the pool (they will be attending theory lessons on water safety).

Dates :   Grade 7 Water Safety  
16th – 20th August 2010

Pieta McKay on behalf of the HPE Team.

**Materials Design and Technology Subject Department**  
**Safety Glasses & Ear Protection**  
The MDT department has recently purchased new safety glasses and ear muffs for both the Wood and Metal workshops to ensure that all students have the most up-to-date eye and ear protection. It has, however, been disappointing to see that some of this equipment is being deliberately vandalised by students. The MDT staff would like to ask parents to support us by reminding their son or daughter of the importance of safety equipment and to respect school property.

Mr Stuart Hadrill  
(Head of Department)
**Junior Textile Competition**

As part of the Term 1 Lifestyle and Fashion course, students completed mini-quilts which are mini art pieces completed from fibres and fabrics. Possible techniques included fabric painting, machine stitching (including free machine embroidery), textile collage and embellishing. Twelve students entered theirs in the Junior Textile Competition held recently at the Derwent Entertainment Centre. This was in conjunction with the Craft and Quilt Fair. Well done to the following students:

- Maxine Lloyd
- Mel Bennett
- Jessica Barr
- Samantha Owens
- Emmeline Cresswell
- Alison Hay
- Elise Smith
- Leanna Brown
- Rebbecca Smith
- Iris Carthy
- Samantha Charlton
- Brooke Potter
- Kyoko Nakamura

Samantha Owens’ “Willy Wonka” and Elise Smith’s “Birds on a wire” received highly commended awards and special congratulations go to Alison Hay who received 4th place for her “Mad hatter’s tea party”.

All mini-quilts will soon be on display in the school's front foyer.

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**Chess demonstration in Rose Bay High library**

Earlier this year, Rose Bay High School was fortunate enough to receive an invitation to take part in a free chess demonstration. After some months of emails going back and forth between myself and the coordinator for Chess Kids, David Cordover, we were finally able to set a time and date for the event.

On the morning of Wednesday 14th July, Rose Bay High School hosted this event, the first of its kind for our school. It involved organising a group of Grade 7 students to take part in a double lesson with the focus on learning about chess through simple demonstration, and for the more confident players, learning advanced chess moves to get them out of tricky situations and help them develop their winning moves.

If you think you might be interested in helping out the school by taking on this role and offering to share your love of chess with other keen players, please contact Mrs Hill (Teacher librarian) on 62438511.

Two representatives of Chess Kids, Ross George and Melissa Harvey, came along to demonstrate and provide practical advice and assistance to the 33 lucky students from 7A, 7C and 7G who took advantage of this opportunity. For those students who were new to chess or lacking confidence, Melissa took them through a step-by-step approach, explaining how the board was set up, how the pieces moved and the basic rules of the game. For the more advanced players, Ross gave them some challenges to resolve, including what
moves students would need to make to win the recent championship match in Bulgaria between the reigning champion Grand Master from India and his Bulgarian opponent.

I was impressed by the talent and the level of enthusiasm that was evident amongst the students who took part. The students seemed to relish the opportunity to pit their wits against their peers. There was even an opportunity to play against the clock, with the confident players having a five minute timer allowing each player a maximum of five minutes to win their game. This was a tense time for many as it meant that if they ran out of time on the clock, even if they were winning the game at the time, then they automatically lost.

The students who were relatively new to the game were also to be commended, demonstrating their willingness to have a go. Even in the short time available to them they made significant progress and were playing chess against each other by the second lesson. Hopefully they will continue to play with family and friends to hone their newly developed skills.

Towards the end of the session, Melissa told the students about the Chess Kids website at www.chesskids.com.au, where they can learn more about chess tactics, read about other chess enthusiasts and even play other interested young players online from either Australia or New Zealand.

There was also discussion about high school tournaments that are run at various host schools in Tasmania, the next one being at Calvin Christian on the 1st September, 2010. While it would be great if we could organise a team from Rose Bay High School to represent us at a tournament like this, at present we are still looking for a parent (or two) who could help run some lunchtime chess sessions for interested students to develop their skills and confidence. Who knows; we may have a champion team in the making.

Scrambled Programs
After much success in a school assembly ‘Scrambled Programs’, a radio play written and performed by Laura Harle, Ashley Swan, Carly Hickman and Alison Hay [all 9F], was put to ABC Radio’s afternoon presenter Joel Rheinberger who enthusiastically agreed to produce the radio play for the girls. One Friday after school the girls and class teacher Mr Doig went into the ABC Centre and recorded the play for a live on air broadcast. After a bit of editing and adding a few sound effects by Joel Rheinberger, Laura and Alison went back into the studio to present the recorded radio play and to do a live interview with Michael Veitch another radio presenter for ABC 936. It was really cool to be able to talk live, and hear ourselves on the air.

It was a lot of fun to record ‘Scrambled Programs’ and get a first hand experience at what goes on behind the scenes in local radio. Thanks to Mr Doig who promoted us to the ABC. It was really cool to be able to talk live and hear ourselves on the air.

Check out the mp3 of ‘Scrambled Programs’, which can be heard or downloaded at: http://www.abc.net.au/
During National ICT Careers Week the University of Tasmania’s School of Computing and Information Systems will be hosting an evening of public lectures.

**National Broadband Network & ICT Security at Home**

**Tuesday 27th July, 6pm, University of Tasmania**

**National Broadband Network— 6.00pm Presented by Dr Julian Dermoudy**

The National Broadband Network has the potential to improve the way we connect with each other, from lifestyle and business to health and education. This talk will discuss how Tasmania can realise the full benefits of broadband, enable schools, hospitals, business and government services to reach out and assist the community.

**Protect Yourself: Staying Safe in an Online World — 7.00pm Presented by Mr Tony Gray**

Identity Theft — the appropriation of key pieces of personally-identifying information belonging to someone else, and subsequent use of it for personal gain — is not a new crime, but as we move more of our lives into cyberspace, the opportunities that we present to criminals to gain access to our private data increase significantly. While many tools exist to help detect and in some cases remove such software, the general consensus is that the battle is being lost. It is getting harder and harder to detect malicious software and to remove it. A better alternative is to understand the risks involved, apply practical protective measures, and modify your online behaviour.

**Games and Controversy & Using Advanced Human-Computer Interface Technologies**

**Thursday 29th July, 6pm, University of Tasmania**

**Games and Controversy — 6.00pm Presented by Dr Ian Lewis**

Do video games cause violent behaviour? Are games bad for children? Are games a waste of time?

Are games really controversial for their content or do controversies arise due to social reasons?

This talk will examine selected games that have been controversial due to matters of violence, sex, drugs, and/or religion and will discuss these issues within the context of historical fears of "new media" as well as the current Australian classification system.

**Using Advanced Human-Computer Interface Technologies (HITLab AU) — 7.00pm Presented by Professor Christopher Lueg**

The Human Interface Technology Laboratory Australia (HITLab AU) is a research and teaching facility with strong links to the world-leading HITLab US based at the University of Washington in Seattle (USA) and the HITLab NZ at the University of Canterbury in Christchurch (NZ). HITLab AU is being established within the School of Computing and Information Systems and adds expertise in virtual/mixed reality technologies to the University of Tasmania. Located physically on the University’s Newnham campus in Launceston, the lab is building collaborations across Tasmania, Australia and the World.

The HITLab mission is to use advanced human-computer interface technologies to unlock the power of human intelligence and link minds globally as a way to empower people and improve quality of life. The HITLab AU will be promote collaborative teaching and research programs with a variety of disciplines (in fact any discipline you can possibly think of) and explore the use of advanced humancomputer interface technologies in collaboration with government and industry.

**VENUE: Centenary Lecture Theatre, Centenary Building, University of Tasmania, Grosvenor Crescent, Sandy Bay.**

**FOR ENQUIRIES: Dr Kristy de Salas, Ph: 6226 6220**
11am Thursday 29 July, University of Tasmania

On Thursday 29th July, the University of Tasmania’s School of Computing and Information Systems, and Tasmanian Polytechnic will be hosting a Careers and Courses in ICT expo - showcasing how working in ICT can take you round the world, and that no matter what area you want to work in, studying ICT will help you achieve it.

This expo will include:
- Local industry representatives discussing Careers in ICT;
- Course information for studying ICT in Tasmania;
- Recruitment personnel providing employment advice; and
- Demonstrations and opportunities to play in the areas of games development, building computer graphics and animation, providing online technical support to companies, developing an ICT solution for a local business, and much more.

VENUE: Centenary Building, University of Tasmania, Grosvenor Crescent, Sandy Bay.
FOR ENQUIRIES: Dr Kristy de Salas Ph: 6226 6220

Are you an art or science student inspired by the sea? To celebrate National Science Week, the Marine Discovery Centre invites grade 9 - 12 students to a fantastic workshop opportunity...

CLAMS: Creative Links between Art and Marine Science
Find out how art and science can come together to create something beautiful! Local artists Ruth Downham and Roland Gabatel will share techniques to produce art works inspired by marine science happening here in Tasmania.

Workshop Details:
When: Saturday 14th August, 10am-2pm
Where: Marine Discovery Centre, Jetty Road, Woodbridge

Who: grade 9 - 12 art and science students
Cost: free! Bookings are essential.
Please contact Pam - ph 6267 4649 or email pam.elliott@education.tas.gov.au by Thursday 5th August. Please note: workshop participants are required to attend the CLAMS forum on Thursday 12th August, 4-6pm.

Marine scientists Dr Gretta Pecl and Dr Martin Riddle will present their research at this forum, providing inspiration for the Saturday workshop. The forum is hosted by CSIRO Education Tasmania, 36 Church Street, North Hobart. To view examples of the artists’ work, visit these websites: Ruth Downham www.woodbridgehillhideway.com.au/glass-artist.html or Roland Gabatel www.workforce.com.au/roland_01.html

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