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

Other important dates 2011:
- Grades 8/9 Options Awareness Parent Meeting – Thursday, September 1
- Grades 8/9 Options Selection forms due – Tuesday, September 20
- Show Day – Thursday, October 20
- Student Free Day – Friday, October 21
- End of Term 3 [Grades 7-10] – Wednesday, December 21

From the Principal

Farewell
I would like to congratulate Mrs Tracey Cameron on her appointment as Assistant Principal at Geeveston District High School. Tracey took up her new posting last Friday.

Tracey came to Rose Bay from Sorell Primary School in 2005. She had also previously undertaken teaching appointments in the secondary college system and other high schools. Her students have benefited greatly from this wealth of knowledge and experience.

Tracey has done an outstanding job in leading, at times both the learning areas of English and Society and History during her appointment at Rose Bay. I know she will be greatly missed by the Grade 10s as they approach the end of their time here at school.

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 Tuesday and 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.
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.

Grade 10s, during this week, have completed their mid-year examinations. These examinations have provided students with an ‘exam experience’ and will also provide their teachers with 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 also enable them to set achievable and worthwhile targets for the end of the year. For students who aspire to study at a tertiary level, it is important that they achieve Stage 14 or 15 in Term 3 if they are to guarantee a placement in a pre-tertiary class at college in 2012. I hope this requirement will be at the forefront of their thinking as they complete their studies here at this school.

A further round of exams and major tests will be held in November to help finalise each student’s results. For all other 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 in the remaining 16 weeks of this school year.

The final school report will be forwarded to parents and guardians in the second last week of Term 3 on Friday, December 16.

Grade 7 Swimming
All Grade 7 students took part in swimming lessons as part of their Health and Physical Education classes in the week beginning August 1.

Titation
I would like to thank Ms McKay for once again arranging this excellent program and also members of the HPE staff who gave up their preparation lessons to make this program work. I would also like to thank the School Association for their ongoing support of this very worthy addition to our Grade 7 curriculum. Without their financial support, this program would be a considerable cost for parents.

Work Experience
Around 60 Grade 10 students will be involved in work experience placements commencing on Monday, August 22. Many thanks to Mrs Cash for all her efforts in arranging the work experience placements.

Jazz Band
The school Jazz Band will perform this year at the Hot August Jazz Festival to be held in North Hobart on Sunday, the 28th. The band will present a half an hour performance in the Queen’s Head Hotel commencing at 1.00pm. Rose Bay is the only school taking part in this festival.

Concert Band
Next week, members of the Concert Band will fly to Melbourne to take part in the Melbourne Band Festival. I would like to thank all of the students for attending their extra rehearsals to ensure that they are performing at their best when they take to the stage next week. I would also like to thank parents and carers for their financial support towards this trip. Many thanks also to Mr Hunt (conductor), Mr Karpiec, Ms Dwyer and Ms Dawes for accompanying our students.
Fine Food Fair
I would like to thank Ms Sarah Ryan and Food Studies students who assisted at the 2011 Wrest Point Royal Hobart Fine Foods Awards last Friday, August 22. In correspondence from the Chief Executive Officer from the Royal Agricultural Society of Tasmania, Mr Scott Gadd, our students were acknowledged as exceptional and an absolute credit to the school.

I would like to congratulate these students for their efforts and refer readers to an article prepared by Ms Ryan regarding this event in this newsletter.

Quiz Night
I would like to thank all those parents and family members who attended the Quiz Night held at school on August 4. Nine hundred and eighty two dollars was raised towards funding for a school on Bhola Island in Bangladesh. This was an excellent effort and will be greatly appreciated by the students and staff in that school.

I would also like to thank all those organisations and individuals who provided prizes for the event. Many thanks to all members of the SRC, Ms Cherry, Mrs Cash and Ms Fielding for all their efforts in organising and conducting the event.

Homework
Homework is an important part of the process of young people developing into independent learners. I know when I speak to parents I often get a wide variety of comments about homework as an issue. Often I am told there is not enough; other parents tell me it is too much. The amount of homework set also varies from class to class and from teacher to teacher.

As Principal, I believe we should expect students to be set some homework on a regular basis, particularly in their core subjects. This should build on or supplement the work undertaken in class, be manageable at home, and recorded by teachers once it is completed.

This item in the newsletter has been written at the request of a member of staff who has recently attempted to set a homework task for every student in their many classes. This amounts to over one hundred students. It has been disappointing that many of these students have not bothered to attempt the task that was set and as a consequence, the teacher has spent more time chasing the work than marking it. I would encourage all parents to continually remind their children to attempt the homework that has been set.

Every teacher has been asked to keep a record of homework tasks set for their classes throughout the year. Should you wish to follow up the amount of homework set for your child, I would encourage you to speak to their teachers about this. Homework should also be recorded in your child's school planner.

Talent Show
Term Two will once again be completed with our annual school talent show. Student volunteers will present their acts in the gymnasium commencing after lunch.

Parents and family members of participating students are very welcome to attend.

Stephen Mannering
Principal

Stars of Sport
Congratulations to:

Alice Petrie (9D) who was awarded a credit in 5th Grade 'Singing for Leisure' by the Australian Music Exam Board. Well done, Alice. We look forward to hearing you at the end of term Talent Show.

Hugh Flassman (10D) on his selection in the State U16 hockey team which will contest the National Championships in Newcastle later in the term, and Daniel Blazeley (10D) on his selection in the U16 Mariners State Football Team which will contest the Div. 2 National Championships in Sydney.
**Artist of the Month for August**

The month of August has found the first male student to gain recognition for the creation of awesome artworks as “Artist of the Month”. That student is Hugh Helleman from grade 9. Hugh has put a huge amount of effort into his conceptual work, particularly into the cutting out of his stencils (some of which are bigger than big). This is very time consuming and requires working out the negative and positive spaces in a picture to cut out. You can then either print or make stencils. Hugh has done this using aerosol cans of paint.

Hugh has shown commitment, persistence and initiative with his work. Well done, Hugh! The nose will soon be with you!

**ArT NeWs**

**DREAMACHINES**

Rose Bay High School students participated in an exciting four day, sculpture workshop at the Tasmanian Art School in June. Their work is about to go on display. Support these students and go and check out their wonderful creations. It is well worth a look.

The DREAMACHINES exhibition will be open to the public from Thursday 18 August at the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery. It will be fantastic to see their work installed alongside the City of Hobart Art prize.

**MDT department** is looking for old, clean sauce squeezy bottles to use for glue and paint. All bottles can be dropped at the MDT section. Donations will be greatly appreciated.

**Grade 7 Water Safety 2011**

165 Grade 7 students participated in the Rose Bay High Water Safety Program this year. The program is intended to build on their Primary School “Learn to Swim” experience focusing on fundamental stroke improvement and water safety skills.

Each and every Grade 7 student who participated in this program is to be congratulated on their outstanding effort. It was incredible to see the significant improvement in skill and confidence of students who had limited swimming experience at the start of the week.

In Term 3 additional water safety lessons will be offered to students who have been identified as being at risk, to ensure that as many students as possible at Rose Bay are confident and safe in and around water.

The Rose Bay High School Water Safety Program is a significant component of the Grade 7 Health and wellbeing course. The program has continued to be an immense success due to the overwhelming support of the school community. I wish to thank and acknowledge:

- the YMCA Swim Centre, without their considerable support this program would not exist
- families for their support and students for their positive and active involvement
- the Health and wellbeing teaching team who are placed under enormous pressure to “Swim Teach” on top of teaching and other duties to ensure the program is possible.

Thank you Sheridan Wakefield, Shannon Bavage, Simon Ruddock, Nicole Milliken and Kate French.

Pieta McKay
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Health and wellbeing

**2011 Inter-High Cross Country**

What a fantastic day! Sunny skies and a cool breeze – conditions were perfect for the running of this year’s carnival at the Pontville Sports Complex. Congratulations go to all team members, including students who assisted as officials, for a first class performance at this event.
Special congratulations must be extended to our Grade 7 boys who had all 6 team members finish in the top 14. This included a clean sweep of the podium by Nic Zammit, Tom Franks and Trent Louden who finished first, second and third respectively.

**Other outstanding individual performances:**

- **Grade 7**
  - Monty Haydon (9th)
  - Olivia McDonald (5th)
  - Erin Fazackerley (9th)
- **Grade 8**
  - Abby Stacey (10th)
  - Joe Randall (4th)
  - Tom Morgan (10th)
- **Grade 9**
  - Stacie Hutchinson (5th)
  - Josh Lovell (9th)
  - Isaac Franks (10th)
- **Grade 10**
  - Madi Gadd (2nd)
  - Gemma Brookes (7th)
  - Jess Melville (10th)

A special mention must go to Alex Pankiw (Grade 7) who filled in, at the last moment, and competed in the Grade 10 boy’s event. This was an incredible feat - well done, Alex!

We extend our congratulations to Taroona High School who was successful in taking out this year’s combined team’s title.

It is always a pleasure to accompany Rose Bay High representative sports teams. This year’s cross country team was no exception with our students once again conducting themselves in a mature, responsible and professional manner. They were indeed a “quality act” and a credit to the school and their families.

Thank you to the many parents who were able to come along and cheer our runners on. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Dale McKay

**Tasmanian Fine Food Awards**

On Friday 12 August, twelve Food Studies students acted as stewards at the Tasmanian Fine Foods Awards. This event was held at the Hobart Showgrounds. The students learnt about the criteria for judging, as well as assisting the judges to set out the food entries, taste, score and record results. There were over a thousand food entries including honey, spices, olive oil, coffee, preserves, smallgoods and dairy, so it was a very busy day.

The room was buzzing with media, with Madi and Mikayla doing a radio interview, and Maddi Williams’ honey tasting technique making the Mercury! Students were exemplary in their behaviour and the judges gave glowing comments about their assistance. They worked independently and showed maturity, initiative and confidence – well done to Madi Gadd, Lauren Booth, Emily King, Molly Headlam, Kymberly Nicholson, Hannah Braumandle, Brendon Watson, Kiarna Saulis, Maddi Williams, Ashley Swan, Alex Tilley and Mikayla Wedge.

On Friday 12 August, three teams from Rose Bay ventured to the University School of Chemistry to match it against a couple of hundred others in the annual titration competition. This involves using some fancy chemistry techniques to determine the exact concentration of solutions.

The students enjoyed the chance to have a look at the university and one was heard to say it would be “a nice place to study at”. All involved deserve praise for their commitment and for the way they conducted themselves on the day. It was a lot of fun.

The students were Tyler Bakes, Stuart Brennan, Sebastian Bridges, Gemma Brooks, Minda Collins, Jack Hodge, Robbie McKernan, Juanita Thors, Murray Turner and thanks to Alison Hay who acted as a reserve.

Bernard Mogielnicki
**Quiz night**
A most enjoyable and successful quiz night was held by the SRC on Thursday August 4 to raise money for children attending school on Bhola Island, Bangladesh. A total of $982 exceeded expectations and the SRC would like to thank all those who attended and gave so generously of their time and money; also, a big thank you to Mrs Cash and Ms Fielding for being such fabulous MCs. Six tables of participants competed enthusiastically for a variety of fabulous prizes which were generously donated by a number of businesses in Eastlands and Hobart City. Quiz goers also bid for a lovely framed watercolour, kindly donated by Marigold Holton, a WII racing car (thanks again Mrs Cash) and a ‘scratchy money’ tree.

The SRC also thanks the following individuals and businesses for their sponsorship and donations:
- ABC Shop Centrepoint and Rosny
- Babylon
- Banjos - City
- Book City
- Connor’s Shoe Repairs
- Dymocks Bookshop
- Express Service Centre – City and Rosny
- Intencity
- Kodak Express
- Koorong Books
- Map Centre
- Sheepskin and Opal World
- Spot on Tackle
- The Watch Repair Shop
- Mrs Roate
- Gill Shadbolt
- Jasmin Emerson

**YourFuture Magazine for Grades 9 & 10.**

To read **YourFuture** online in html text, or download a PDF copy of the magazine, please go to:


Dear Parents
I’m writing to ask for your help. Our school is taking part in the Coles Sports for Schools program. This year, they are giving away more than five million dollars worth of quality sports gear from well known brands.

From August 11 Coles will give you one Sports for Schools voucher for every $10 you spend in store (excluding the purchase of cigarettes, alcohol and gift cards). All you need to do is save those vouchers and send them to school (Coles have given us a special collection box).

At the end of the program, we can redeem our collection of vouchers against a wide choice of sports gear.

There’s no limit to the number of vouchers we can collect, so your participation will really make a difference. The more vouchers we collect, the more resources we can order!

Christine Cash

**THE FOUR-TERM ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Minister for Education and Skills, Nick McKim, has today announced that Tasmanian schools will move to a four-term school year from the beginning of 2013.

This decision was made following recommendations from an independent Advisory Group that was convened to investigate and consult on the preferred term model.

The Advisory Group comprised a wide range of interested parties including representatives from government and non-government schools, unions, and the Parents and Friends Association.

There will be minimal disruption for students from Kindergarten to Grade 10, but there will be a need to consider the change in relation to college enrolment and examination procedures. With this change occurring in 2013, there is plenty of time to work through any issues to thoroughly prepare for a smooth implementation of the new arrangements.

We will provide you with more detailed information in the coming months. Specifically, we are preparing a brochure for you that we hope will answer the questions you may have about this decision and how it affects you and your child. This will be distributed at the beginning of Term 3.
The proposed term dates for 2013 are available on the Department’s website, www.education.tas.gov.au.

AFS Australia is a unique Intercultural Exchange organisation that offers students the opportunity to travel to over 80 countries around the world to attend school for a year, 6 months or 3 months. If you are interested in travelling, languages and intercultural learning, then AFS can offer you an incredible experience of a lifetime.

Applications are currently being accepted to participate in the following programs departing soon:-

- **France, Italy, Germany, Japan**, 3 months
  - Depart Nov. 2011, Deadline for application Sept. 1st
- **Argentina, Chile, Peru, Costa Rica, Japan, Germany, Switzerland** and more…one year
  - Depart Jan – March 2012
  - Deadline for application Sept. 30th
- **Germany, Switzerland Argentina, Chile, Peru, Costa Rica and more** semester - 6 months
  - Depart Jan – March 2012.
  - Deadline for application Sept. 30th
- **Thailand** 1 year, partial scholarship ($2400) available,
  - Depart Mar. 2012
  - Deadline for application Jan. 15th

AFS distinguishes itself by providing quality care and support by your host family in conjunction with a close AFS community network in your new country.

For more information and assistance with application contact Ms Walker, AFS Tasmania email: - afstasmania@gmail.com or apply online at www.afs.org.au

The University of NSW is currently conducting a study, called the drinking and teens project, with several universities across Australia. The research will look at drinking and non-drinking adolescents, and how this relates to family, peer and behavioural factors. The findings will provide much needed guidance on adolescent drinking to policy makers, schools, the community, and families. As such, this research has the potential to provide vital information on how parents can best educate their children about alcohol use and prevent the possibility of harm. Year 7 students and their families have recently received invitations to participate in this research. Over 1700 families across Australia are currently taking part in the study. If you are also interested in taking part, please return your opt-in form by mid September. If you have any questions or would like a new form, please contact us on (02) 9385 0192 or drinkingandteens@unsw.edu.au.
Ages 8 – 14
10am – 1pm
Cost $15 – Bookings essential

September 7 – Extended Collage with Caroline Amos. Start with a central collage and use your imagination to extend and expand with drawing. A creative approach to drawing and collage. All materials supplied.
Ages 8 -12
10am – 12noon
Cost $7 – Bookings essential

Bookings are essential for all workshops, call Tracey or Sarah on 62458740 or email schoolhouse@ccc.tas.gov.au

Free course!! Term 3 2011
Skills for Training in Community Services – part time 10 week course

Would you like to find work in the Disability Care, Aged Care or Community Services sectors?

For further details and an application for contact Tasmanian Polytechnic, Connect South – Adult Program on 6233 7906.

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Still running strong.
Registration Day 2011
Kangaroo Bay Sunday 2nd October
10.00 am to 12.00 noon
Demonstrations and “come and try” activities at 11am

Season commences Saturday October 8th 8.20am
For further information contact:
Shane McCarthy (President) 0438 058 118
Website: www.clarence.org.au
Rose Bay High School

50th Anniversary

Saturday, 15 October 2011

School Open – 11.00 am to 3.00 pm
Cocktail Party (18+) 7.30 pm – 11.00 pm

Tickets - $45

- Live music with “Basil the Rat”
- Finger food
- 2 drink vouchers (wine or beer)
- A great night out with friends, old and new!

Tickets can be pre-ordered by contacting our email address or at the school office.

rbhs50anniversary@hotmail.com

We would still like to see/copy any memorabilia you may have from your days at Rose Bay High School to share on the night!

Tickets can be obtained at the Rose Bay High School office
Phone: 6242 9299
Payment by cash, cheque or credit card.
Limited number available!

As part of a publication to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of Rose Bay, we are seeking to obtain details of as many previous students as possible.

We would like to know your full name (and maiden name if applicable), years of enrolment at Rose Bay, interesting activities/achievements at school and interesting activities/achievements since leaving school. A recent picture would be also appreciated. It is intended that we will publish as many of these as possible. If you would like to be mentioned please email details to: rbhs50anniversary@hotmail.com.

If you wish to let us know the whereabouts of someone who might wish to be included, please pass on their email address as well.