FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The New School Year
Welcome to the new school year and a special welcome to those parents and carers whose children are new to Rose Bay High School this year. On Monday, we welcomed 160 Grade 7s and a number of other new students into Grade 8, 9 and 10. Demand for enrolments at Rose Bay continues to be strong with demand beyond our capacity in some grades.

I would like to thank all parents for their efforts in ensuring that Grade 7 students and other new enrolments attended our ‘early start program’. I would also like to thank all of our peer support leaders from Grade 10 and SRC members who also came into school to work with our new Grade 7, 8, 9 and 10s during the morning.

It was also great to see that virtually all of our students came to school in uniform on our first full school day. To ensure that uniform items if mislaid can be returned to their owner, it would be appreciated if parents and carers could please ensure that each item of uniform is appropriately named.

New Staff
We welcome to Rose Bay:

Ms Kate Askey-Doran – AST English

Ms Kathleen McElduff – Maths and Science

Miss Amanda Grainger – English & History/Geography

STUDENT TERM DATES 2013

TERM 1
Tuesday 5 February – Friday 19 April
EASTER BREAK
Friday 29 March – Tuesday 2 April
TERM 2
Monday 6 May – Friday 5 July
TERM 3
Monday 22 July – Friday 27 September
TERM 4
Monday 14 October – Friday 20 December
Mr Jonathan Welch - PE

Mr Shayne Clark – English & History/Geography

Ms Sam Meier - Maths and Science

Ms Lauren How – Pathway Planning Officer

Ms Mandy Maree– English as an Additional Language

Mr Tom Giblin our Pathway Planner for the past several years has taken a different position with the Department of Education. Ms Leahanne Reid accepted a late offer of a transfer to Claremont College last year. I wish both Tom and Leahanne well in their new positions

Class Teacher Groups for 2013 are:

Grade 7 Coordinators
Pieta McKay & Stephen Knowles

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Grade 8 Coordinators
Chris Cherry & Stuart Hadrill

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Grade 9 Coordinators
Mike Thorpe & Di Cole

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Grade 10 Coordinators
Mark Dickenson & Chris Cash

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It is extremely important that the school works in partnership with parents and carers. We hope that 2013 will once again provide us with the opportunity to try to ensure that all students at Rose Bay High School work consistently throughout the year to achieve their academic potential.

If you have any concerns regarding your child’s progress at school, the best person to contact in the first instance, is your child’s class teacher. Class teachers will be making contact with you before Easter to introduce themselves and to discuss any concern or answer any questions you may have. They will be able to advise you about their overall performance at school and any issues that they will be aware of from your child’s various subject teachers. They will also be able to refer you to a subject teacher for further discussions, should that be necessary.

Providing Additional Student Support
We would greatly appreciate your assistance if you are able to assist as a tutor, coach, team manager or helper in any area of the school’s wide ranging programs.

Parents, other family or community members interested in working as volunteer literacy and/or numeracy tutors, are asked to contact Mrs Ann Glass in the Learning Support Area here at school.

Parents and other family or community members interested in working with one of our school sports teams are asked to contact Sports Coordinator - Mr Dale McKay.

To assist in the library please contact Mrs Ailsa Hill, School Librarian.

It should be noted that school volunteers working with our students at school will need to complete a Good Character Check. This will be organised through the school office.
School Reports
Progress Reports for all students will be issued on Wednesday, March 27 with a Parent/Teacher on Wednesday, April 10.

Details regarding further reports will be distributed to parents and guardians later in the year.

Uniform Shop
I would like to pass on my sincere thanks to Mrs Jillian Goninon – Uniform Shop Coordinator for her outstanding service to the school in facilitating the sale of school uniform to parents at the commencement of the year.

Jillian was also ably assisted by a number of other parents and community members. Special thanks goes to: Jan, Kalina, Dannielle, Rebecca, Allison, Maryanne, Tanya, Fiona and anyone who may have been missed.

End of Day Parking and Collection of Students
To enable the safe departure of students from the school grounds, it would be appreciated if all parents could ensure that cars continue to be not driven into the upper car park next to the Gym at the end of the day. The only exception to this would be those students who may be on crutches or have some temporary mobility issues.

This measure ensures that ensured that students can exit the school buildings without having to stop as cars exit the car park.

It would be appreciated if parents could continue to collect their children from the lower grassed area. Alternative pick up points such as the upper Clarence Pool car park over the Tasman Highway or over the Lindisfarne overpass in Yolla St. could also be an alternative.

Parents should note that the left hand side of Kaoota Road on approach to the school and opposite the school buses is a No Standing Zone. Any car standing on this corner forces cars entering the school area onto the wrong side of the road and into the path of departing school buses.

Please also ensure that the thoroughfare through the school roundabout is kept clear.

Your assistance with these measures will hopefully ensure our student’s safety can be maintained at the end of the school day.

Students who walk home down Kaoota Road are also asked to ensure they depart the school leaving the Language Centre on their left and walking via the left hand side of the road (the lower car park side). This will ensure that at no time will students attempt to cross the road in front of the departing buses.

School Association
On behalf of the School Association I would like to extend a warm invitation to our first meeting. The meeting will be held at the school at 7.30pm on Tuesday 19th February. We are fortunate to have an active and supportive School Association which plays a vital role in forming policies and informing the direction of the school.

Strategic Plan and School Improvement
Our Strategic Plan which was developed at the end of last year outlines our major improvement strategies for the next 4 years. Staff at Rose Bat High will be focusing on following key areas:
- Literacy and Numeracy
- Implementation of the Australian Curriculum
- Quality Teaching
- Supportive School Environment

Finally, I hope 2013 will once again be a very productive and successful year for the school and wish everyone all the best for the ensuing year.

Jason Szczerbanik
Principal

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM OFFICE STAFF
- Student Validation forms and ICT forms need to be returned by Fri, 22 Feb.
- attendance – all late arrivals and absences must be notified/explained.
### General Noticeboard:

- **Wing Chun King Fu – Confidence, Control & Concentration** [8years +] all families welcome. Thursdays 7:15pm – 8:15pm Montagu Bay Primary Contact Leigh 0429107108

- **Youth Group @ Clarence Uniting Church.** Grades 7-10, $2 per night, supper provided. For more information contact Kathryn McGuinniss [kathryn@guinniss.id.au] or Ricky Beswick [beswickriarat@iprimus.com.au]

- Found Rabbit in Rose Bay area. If you have lost a rabbit please contact Anita on 0408050905.

- **30 Minute Bootcamp** *We wont* hurt you, laugh at you, make you feel silly. *We will* make you stronger, leaner and boost your metabolism. Tues and Thurs 6.15 am Lindisfarne Primary School. Casuals welcome - Ph Jo 0409 862206

- **BU-GEIDO AUSTRALIA KARATE** Easy to learn, no fitness level required to start. Every Monday Mornington Hall, 6 Derinya Street. For more information phone 0407 070 509

### LEARN ABOUT YOURSELF!

As Marcel Proust, a late 19th century novelist wrote: “the real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes but in having new eyes”. Volunteer to host an international high school student in July 2013 through Southern Cross Cultural Exchange and prepare to be amazed at the way this unique and rewarding opportunity helps your family to become closer, to understand themselves better and to see the world in a new light.

Carefully selected students will arrive in July for one or two semesters from France, Italy, Germany, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Japan, and Spain. They will attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit us at our website [www.scce.com.au](http://www.scce.com.au), email [scceaust@scce.com.au](mailto:scceaust@scce.com.au) or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship.

### JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Lindisfarne Junior Football Club will be holding their registration day for Junior & Youth Football on Saturday 23rd February 2013. For more information contact Scott Donaghy on 0419 588 422

### ATTACHMENTS:

- BUSHFIRE ASSISTANCE
- SCHOOL BASED IMMUNISATION PROGRAM 2013
- CANTEEN PRICE LIST