Some Key Dates 2014

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From the Principal

I can hardly believe that we are already 4 weeks into the school year. It’s been another busy start to the year and our Grade 7 students are currently enjoying their camps at Port Arthur and our music students are preparing themselves for their camp which will take place in week 6. Our swimming carnival is scheduled to take place on the 5th March at the Clarence Aquatic Centre. Information regarding the carnival should have arrived home by now. It is important that the major excursion form and the water activities permission form are returned before the carnival. Students will not be permitted to take part in the carnival if both forms have not been returned. Forms for the carnival can be collected from the office or downloaded from the school app.

Teachers at the school have started a professional learning program which focuses on quality teaching. This is a focus of the school this year and staff will participate in further sessions throughout the year.

At times the school is asked by parents and carers to assist in sorting out issues involving social media. The Department of Education is holding a Community Forum centering on the issue of aggression and bullying [including cyber-bullying] among young people. Professor Donna Cross will be presenting at the forum. Professor Cross is an internationally renowned health educationalist. Reducing bullying has been a social issue of great importance in Australia.

Student Term Dates 2014

Term 1
Wednesday 5 February to Thursday 17 April
[The Eater break will extend from Friday 18 April to Tuesday 22 April inclusive]

Term 2
Monday 5 May to Friday 4 July

Term 3
Monday 21 July to Friday 26 September

Term 4
Monday 13 October to Thursday 18 December
Bullying behaviour causes both victims and bullies to experience distress and psychological harm, and impacts on the ability to learn effectively.

The school has been provided with 7 tickets for our parents and community members to attend. The forum will be held at the Derwent Entertainment Centre on Tuesday 20th May from 5.30pm – 7pm. Tickets will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. To reserve your ticket please contact the office on 62429299.

With the increase in enrolments at the school this year we are experiencing some issues with traffic at the front of the school at the start and end of the day. Could I ask parents dropping off and picking up their children that they do not block the roundabout at the front of the school and do not use the car park located near the gym at the end of the day. Students use this area of the school to access buses and we do not allow cars to enter or exit the car park while buses are loading.

I would like to invite all interested parents and community members to our next School Association meeting. The school has a very active and supportive School Association and we would welcome any new parents who would like to join. The next meeting will be held on the 18th March at the school starting at 7pm.

The school is currently updating the information provided in the school validation forms. I would ask that all parents and guardians return the forms to the school promptly. The forms contain important information regarding contact details and medical conditions and it is important that we have the most up to date information.

**Pathway Planning**

2014 is a very important year for our Year 10 cohort in many ways. A key focus will be placed on their smooth transition to further education and training. Our students are fortunate to have the support of a Pathway Planning Officer who will support them by providing advice in the following areas:

- career options including opportunities to participate in Career Awareness Programs
- preliminary course counselling for secondary college
- educational training and pathways
- organise college and TasTAFE visits.

The choices are many and varied, and through the process of making decisions it is important that you and your child are supported and provided with appropriate information.

The Pathway Planner Officer at our school is Lauren How. I strongly encourage parents/guardians to continue the pathway planning conversations initiated by Lauren at home.

Jason Szczerbanik
Principal

**Outlook magazines** are still available from the office for $15.00

**Student absences, late arrivals and early departures** – please provide a note, send an email, SMS or phone to explain ALL student absences and late arrivals. When arriving late, student must sign in at the Office.

Email: Rose.Bay.High@education.tas.gov.au
Phone: 6242 9299
SMS: 0438 695 677

**National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2014**

In 2008, the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) commenced in Australian schools. The program is scheduled to continue in 2014 with all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 to be assessed using common national tests in Reading, Persuasive Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students in Tasmania have been participating in literacy and numeracy tests for a number of years, so there is familiarity with the test formats and the types of questions.

The scheduled dates for the tests in 2014 are Tuesday 13 May, Wednesday 14 May and Thursday 15 May.

These national tests will provide information on how students are progressing against national minimum standards of literacy and numeracy skills expected for each year level, as well as performance across the whole range of student
abilities. The results will support improvements in teaching and learning for students.

Parents will receive an individual report that shows their child’s results and a comparison of their child’s performance against all other Australian students in their year level. The report will also indicate how their child performed in comparison to the national average and the levels of achievement expected at that year level.

For students in Years 5, 7 and 9, the results from the 2014 tests will provide parents and schools with important information on progress made since they last participated in NAPLAN testing in 2012.

The best way you can assist your child is by making them feel comfortable about the nature and purpose of the tests, and assure them that the tests will give them an opportunity to show what they have learned in class.

For more information about the national tests, including test samples, frequently asked questions, the test schedule and a parent information brochure, please visit the national NAPLAN website at: http://www.nap.edu.au

Rose Bay High School Inter-House SWIMMING CARNIVAL
Inter-House sport carnivals are exciting and significant events on the Rose Bay High School calendar. The first carnival of the year is the swimming which is to be held on Wednesday 5th March at the YMCA Clarence Aquatic Centre. This is an optional event where all participants will need to be able to confidently swim 25m. Only students who have pre-entered events will attend the carnival. The school day will run as normal for all non-participants. Students have been given the opportunity to enter events during Home Group.

This event will also be used to select the Rose Bay High School Swim Team which will compete at the Inter-High Swim Carnival on the 9th April at the Hobart Aquatic Centre.

We extend a warm invitation to parents and carers to join us to make this a successful and rewarding carnival.

Date: Wednesday 5th March

Time: 9.30 – 2.30
Venue: YMCA Clarence Aquatic Centre

Canteen facilities are available at the pool for snack food and refreshments during the morning. Participants will return to school in time for end of day dismissal. Students need to be suitably dressed for this event preferably showing their house colours.

Swimming Program 2014 – order of events
50m Freestyle
50m Breaststroke
50m Backstroke
100m Freestyle
50m Butterfly
4 X 50m Same Grade House Relay (all Grades, separate events for girls & boys)
Across pool freestyle
Across pool backstroke
Water polo/ Free swim

Adam Clydesdale/Kate French
Health and Wellbeing Team

SCHOOL BUS
Our school has been fortunate in acquiring the 21 seater Toyota Coaster Bus that was based at Geilston Bay High School. The bus is going to be an excellent asset to our educational programs including: Outdoor Education, Health & Well Being and for use on school camps and excursions by subject areas. The school would also like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Shane Smith, Owner and Manager of Spectrum Car Paints in Sunderland Street, Derwent Park. Mr Smith is an ex student of the school and has very kindly donated several paint products to allow us to undertake some detailing work on the inside the bus.

TARDIS in the RBHS Library
Strange as it may sound, we have a TARDIS in the library. For those of you who may be unfamiliar with Dr Who, the longest running science fiction television series in the world, TARDIS stands for Time and Relative Dimension in Space. In short, it is a time machine that hails from Gallifrey...
(Dr Who’s home planet) and resembles an old police telephone box from the UK.

The idea to have a TARDIS in the library came after I received a new glass display cabinet at the end of last year. Amongst the comments from staff came the one that sparked my imagination—‘It looks like you’ve got yourself a TARDIS.’

Since last year was the 50th anniversary of Dr Who, it would have been good to have had the display last year, but unfortunately the display cabinet arrived too late for that. The 50th anniversary did, however, generate a new level of interest from students for ‘Everything Dr Who’, so that was enough for me to invest the time and effort to create a TARDIS to encapsulate the display cabinet.

This was a more difficult challenge than I could ever have imagined, requiring hours of planning, sourcing paint, brushes and rollers, a large cardboard box, glue, cellophane, etc., as well as many, many hours of construction (and reconstruction when things fell apart…as they often did while I was carting the pieces to and from home to work and back again).

A wide range of Dr Who books and magazines are currently in the display cabinet and the TARDIS is in position around the cabinet but it still in need of some final adjustments before I can launch the display. I am hoping that the necessary tweaking will be completed by this Wednesday 26th Feb., so that students can view the 20 plus Dr Who fiction, magazines and information books that we have on display, many of them new purchases.

Students will be able to reserve resources from the cabinet, ready for them to collect at the end of the 3 week display period. Hopefully with so much to choose from, we will inspire our Dr Who fans to get reading but for those who like a more visual approach we also plan to show one of the old Dr Who series in the library over a few lunch breaks for interested students (and staff).

Mrs A. E. Hill
Teacher librarian
RBHS Library

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The following information is for Grade 10 students new to our school this year:

- **Work Experience** is not compulsory but we would encourage all new students to apply.
- If you **did not** receive an information and application form in the mail over the Christmas holidays, please see Mr Hadrill as soon as possible to obtain the necessary paperwork.
- If you **did** receive information and an application form but are struggling to find a business who will take you for work experience, then please see Mr Hadrill as soon as possible.
Late last year Aboriginal Education (Department of Education) hosted the Aboriginal Sharer’s of Knowledge (ASK) Program at Rose Bay High School. A number of students from Grade 7, 8 and 9 who identify as Aboriginal spent a full day with Elders: Auntie Colleen and Auntie Loueen exploring Tasmanian Aboriginal identity, culture and history. The ASK program is a powerful and positive experience for students. Whilst engrossed in making traditional fibre baskets information was shared in a way that reading a book or watching a DVD could never match. The most powerful outcome of the day was to see students start the day not knowing each other, to leave feeling a strong sense of connection and belonging, each and every student was able to trace their story. One student was able to trace back to be a direct descendant of Fanny Cochrane Smith (1834 -1905). With the support of Aboriginal Education we hope to develop these opportunities further at Rose Bay High School in 2014.

Elder Auntie Cheryl Mundy who was unable to attend due to illness presented the school with a book “Keeping Culture Aboriginal Tasmania” inscribed “To the students of Rose Bay High School. Live with an open mind and heart, and enjoy the wonders to come”. If you have a particular hobby or interest (e.g. model making, scrap booking, art, crafts, wood work, gardening, floral arranging, cooking, reading… ) and would like to share your expertise with a small group of students, or as a mentor with one student, we would also love to hear from you.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the school on 62429299 and leave your contact details. A good character check will be required. A meeting for interested volunteers will be held early in the new school year.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Mrs Ann Glass
Learning Centre Coordinator

Uniform Shop News
THANK YOU!
A big thank you to all volunteers who helped on uniform sales days whether it was setting up, restocking items or helping customers your help is very much appreciated. Without you we would be lost!

A big thank you too, to parents and students who were so patient with the queues, especially on the first day. The uniform shop is run by the School Association and is manned by volunteers with only one point of sale machine. The Association will be looking at ways of reducing the queues. One option may be to encourage pre-ordering/pre-paying to help speed up the process.
If you have any ideas the Association would love to hear from you.

We also had an additional seventy new students and unfortunately ran out of some uniform items. These are currently on order and should be arriving soon. If you have placed an order you will be contacted when items are ready to be collected.

**Second hand uniform**
At the recent Association meeting it was passed that the Uniform Shop will NO LONGER sell second hand items on commission. This decision was based on the fact that administering commission based sales is time consuming for the volunteers involved. We recognise that the sale of second hand uniform is an important function of the uniform shop and will continue to sell second hand items that are DONATED to the shop.

If you currently have second hand uniform for sale in the shop you will be contacted over the next few weeks to arrange collection of your items and receive payment where items have been sold.

**Volunteers**
The uniform shop is still very busy on a Wednesday morning. If you are able to help Vicki in the shop for one hour every now and then, please leave your details at the front office. It would be lovely for someone to say “Hey you look really busy, can I help?”.

Sonya Abbott
School Association Treasurer

**General Noticeboard**

**Clarence united** are looking for new players to join our u13 squad. We have assigned a coach who is qualified and has their coaching licence. Clarence have a big youth program planned for the next 5 years and would love to have new members join us. We are a very united club and support every team from U13 right through to Premier league. We also have a good score card in each competition and have been and continue to be very successful.

Club uniform is provided and payment arrangements for fees are available if needed. We would love to have you join us and girls new to the game are very welcome! Training is on Thursday nights at Bellerive Primary school at 4.30pm.

Hope you can come and give it a try J

VP football
Clarence united FC

**TASMANIAN STATE BIKE WEEK**
**Ride with Bicycle Tasmania during Bike Week 16 – 23 March 2014**

For more information go to [www.biketas.org.au/events](http://www.biketas.org.au/events)

2014 - Sorell Junior Football Club
Registration for the 2014 season is on Sunday 2 March, 10am -12 noon, Sorell Club Rooms, Pembroke Park.

All students who reside in the Sorell, Midway Point, Cambridge, Orielton, Runnymede, Orford, Swansea, Triabunna, Dunalley, Nubeena, Dodgers Ferry, Oatlands, Campania, Colebrook and Richmond areas are welcome to register to play in Auskick - U16 teams, if your local community club does not have the age group for you to play in.

Any queries contact Tony Lang 0439 826 902, tblang@bigpond.com.au

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**Nelson Eastern Suburbs FC**
**Youth Program 2014**
http://www.nelsonfc.99k.org/

**Youth Football Training**
**Soccer**
Training for 2014 youth boys and girls teams will be on
Boys – U13, U14, U16
**Tuesdays at Montagu Bay Primary School**
4:45 - 6pm
Girls – U13, U15, U17
**Wednesdays at Edgeworth Street Oval,**
Warrane
5 – 6:30pm
Further information is available from:
Michelle Castle
Email: michelle.castle@education.tas.gov.au
Web - http://www.nelsonfc.99k.org/
Facebook - https://www.facebook.com/nelsonesfc
Twitter - @NelsonESFC
Phone: 0407 561 548

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ART WORKSHOPS
EVERY THURSDAY: 4 - 6 pm

MARCH  T-Shirt Printing
Create your own design and print it on a T-Shirt

APRIL  Photography
Learn how to compose an image and make it look like you are in the editing room

MAY  Painting
Discover image making with Amber Koons
Stephenson

JUNE  Manga
Learn how to create your own Manga

ART STUDIO OPEN FOR USE WED - FRI: 3 - 6 PM
ALL MATERIALS PROVIDED  FREE FOR AGES 12 - 25
youthartsandrecrec.org  tel: 6235150  44 Collins Street, Hobart

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