**Some Key Dates 2015**

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A full year school calendar is available on the school website: [www.rosebay.tased.edu.au](http://www.rosebay.tased.edu.au)

**From the Principal**

It’s been a busy couple of weeks since our last newsletter. I would like to formally welcome back Jacoba Sayers in Grade 10 and Ms Suzanne Pattinson who have returned from their overseas trips. Last year Jacoba was a recipient of the Frank McDonald Prize and travelled to Europe over the holidays as part of a study trip to the battlefields of World War I. I was keenly following The Frank McDonald Group on Facebook and I know that she had a great time and represented herself and the school with distinction. Our other global traveller was Ms Pattinson. Ms Pattinson was one of the teacher winners in the Simpson Prize last year. The Simpson Prize encourages participants to focus on the significance of Anzac Day and to consider what Anzac Day means to them and to Australia. Ms Pattinson was part of the ANZAC commemorations at Gallipoli on ANZAC Day. I know that Ms Pattinson is already incorporating the information gained from her trip into our History programs.

Over the course of last week our Grade 7 and 9 students sat the NAPLAN tests. The results of these tests will be available later in the year and we will distribute these to parents as soon as we receive them. We have been very fortunate over the past 18 months to have Ms Ann Stuht working with our Grade 8 classes with a focus on writing and we are hopeful that we will see an improvement in our literacy scores when the results are released.

**Other important dates:**

**2015 Student Free Day**
Friday 23 October
We are very fortunate at Rose Bay to have a very active Student Representative Council. Our 2015 student leaders have a very strong social conscious and have been involved in a number of community based programs and fundraising events. Last week the school held a Free Dress Day where they were raising funds in support of the earthquakes in Nepal. Over $1000 was raised and this was an outstanding effort. I would like to thank Mundy’s meats for their very kind donation of 30kg of sausages which were sold on the day. Today our student leaders were involved in the Racism Stops with Me Campaign. The campaign invites all Australians to reflect on what they can do to counter racism. Our school, together with our local primary schools, and Clarence Council signed a pledge to counter racism.

I would like to thank all of our parents and guardians for their support in improving our student’s attendance. We have had a decrease in the number of absences across the school that have not been explained by a parent or guardian over the past several weeks. It would be great if we could keep this going. Please let us know either by phone or text if your child is absent from school.

Last week we launched our Facebook page and Twitter feed. These forms of social media are a great way to communicate the great things that are happening at our school. If you are a user of these forms of social media I would encourage you to find and follow us to keep up to date with the happenings at Rose Bay High.

Jason Szczerbanik
Principal

**Artist of the Month for March 2015**

The student nominated for Artist of the Month for March is from Grade 9 and she is Emma Foster. She has been using her class time efficiently and has given loads of effort to her work. Emma is a highly creative pen pusher who displays strong technical skills in both painting and drawing. Her themes range from ghoulish, goth horror to “normal” pictures and her recently finished skateboard deck design is awesome. Well done, Emma!

**Artist of the Month for April 2015**

Marahn’s artworks highlight her attention to detail, strong understanding of each of the elements of Art and her creativity. Due to her consistency in generating outstanding pieces she is the first student of her year group to be awarded Rose Bay High School Artist of the Month. Congratulations, Marahn Aitken 7A.

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Marine Discovery Four Day course – Monday, June 20th to Thursday, July 2nd.
This program is designed to immerse students in practical experiences and conduct research into a wide range of marine issues. Each day students spend time around the Centre as well as collecting oceanographic and biodiversity data at a number of sites in the D’Entrecasteaux Channel from the RV Penghana. As well as spending a lot of time in the field students may take part in role plays, design experiments, and prepare species profiles or scientific posters.

During each program a scientist from a national or state research facility spends time with the students, explaining their own research as well as helping them to understand the data the students have collected in the Channel. At the conclusion of the course students receive a certificate acknowledging their achievement. There is a cost of $80 per student. It is open to students from Grade 10 down to Grade 8, although preference is given to those in the Senior Grades. Please see Mr Mogielnicki for further details.

SRC report
N for Nepal day
On Friday the 8th May, the school held a free dress day to raise funds to support the victims of the Nepal earthquake. For something different, we added a theme being to wear something starting with 'N'. It was great to see people generously donate, and even when they forgot it was free dress and donated was wonderful. We succeeded in raising $943.20 from donations and $273.30 from the Sausage sizzle. In total our school is contributing $1213.50.

Mental health matters forum
On Friday 20th March, the Tasmanian youth forum organised a statewide forum on the subject of mental health. A number of Rose Bay students chaperoned by Pieta McKay jumped on a bus very early in the morning to attend the forum in Launceston at the Door of Hope. Between 10am and 3:30pm, young people of the ages between 12 to 25 year olds, including our students, discussed and presented ideas for positive mental health. As the forum progressed most people developed the idea of how important communication is. At this stage in young people's lives, young people find it hard to express their feelings to others; being able to confide in someone, and so, they suffer in silence. Suicide is the third-leading cause of death for 12 to 25-year-olds. Some ideas that were presented: making classrooms more sociable, a place where young people can hang out, a 'sleep pass' where a student can use this pass during school hours to take a nap. With the forum ending at 3:30pm Rose Bay students began the long journey back to Hobart.

Youth week
On the second last day of Term one, one of the SRC's biggest events took place: Youth Week. Last year, Youth Week was a major part of the year; there were live performances and lots of different companies came out to help. This year, Youth Week was even more of a success with a live band called Lewes, slushies, soccer, taco vans, sumo fights, free sausages and a variety of companies such as RACT, Lions Club, Racism it Stops With Me, Holyoake and Headspace to help out with the day. The band created an atmosphere of excitement as people were sumo wrestled and playing soccer. The Lions Club helped out by providing a sausage sizzle for everyone. Headspace, RACT, Racism it Stops With Me, all had fun things to give out including Frisbees, toy cars, drink bottles; Headspace also offered a Polaroid photo for $2. The theme for this year's Youth Week was "it starts with us". Within our school we have many students with a wide range of cultural backgrounds. The band was amazing; they played loads of originals and some covers. They signed autographs at the end and gave out drum sticks and picks to some lucky people.
When the bell went, we were all very disappointed to have to head back to class after what would definitely have to be one of the most enjoyable days at school.

By Ethan Bradford and Andre Abrego

Cross country – SRC Report
The cross country reminds me of life at high school. The beginning of the track is the fresh start to Grade 7, and the end, the final push Grade 10. You’re running, and you run because you know how you’ll feel at the end, and how it will all be worth it. You would have conquered chucky’s, you would have conquered heartbreak, you would have conquered the track, and you know you had done your best. The hills were your obstacles in high school, and you had to get over them. But if you didn’t, then you know you robbed yourself of the victory at the end.

On Tuesday 28th of April over 370 students took part in the cross country. We had the highest amount of participants we have ever had in the school’s history! End of period 5 and 6 starting with the Grade 7 boys and Grade 9 girls, finishing with Grade 10 boys, Grade 8 girls. Grade 7s and 8s ran 3 kilometres, while Grade 9 and 10 ran 3.5 kilometres. At the end of the day the Domain Green house took both the championship and participation shield.

This year, we have discovered some extraordinarily fast and talented long distance runners to represent our school in the inter high. The fastest runners from each race were:

**INTER HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY REPORT**

A fine, still, 17 degree afternoon contributed to an excellent cross country taking place on Tuesday 28th April. The ideal running conditions attracted a record number of 350 participants!

Along with the record breaking number of students that competed, seven brave teachers put on their running shoes to conquer the cross country track. The teachers who took up the challenge were; Mr Szczerbanik, Mr Graham, Miss French, Mr Fullarton, Mr Dew, Mr O'Meagher and Mr McKay. Students who were able to beat the teachers to the finish line won a freddo frog and all participants who completed the course were welcomed to fresh fruit such as; watermelon, apples and oranges, that were kindly provided. Everyone should be extremely proud of the effort they put in not just for themselves, but for their team houses as well! A special congratulations to the top three place getters from each age group:

**Grade 7 Boys**

**Grade 7 Girls**
1. Isabella Jackman, 2. Ebony Haley, 3. Marahn Aitken

**Grade 8 Boys**

**Grade 8 Girls**
1. Chloe Hunt, 2. Emma Lawson, 3. Phillida Bridley

**Grade 9 Boys**

**Grade 9 Girls**

**Grade 10 Boys**

**Grade 10 Girls**

Each student who participated in Rose Bay High School’s Cross Country earned house points for their house. This year’s House Captains, alongside
with H.P.E teachers did a great job in encouraging students to take part in the cross country and that was shown by the record breaking number of participants! The 2015 cross country was a successful year for the Domain Green house as they took out both shields. The House results from the cross country are tallied below:

**PARTICIPATION SHIELD**
1. Domain Green 85
2. Wellington Red 77
3. Tasman Yellow 77
4. Derwent Blue 69

**CHAMPIONSHIP SHIELD**
1. Domain Green 480
2. Wellington Red 439
3. Derwent Blue 425
4. Tasman Yellow 421

Students who placed in the top eight of each year group will have the opportunity to represent Rose Bay High School at the Inter High Cross Country. This event is on June 11th at Pontville and we would like to wish all participants the best of luck!

Jess Fowler
Domain Green House Captain

**Record No. of participants – 350**
**Beautiful day, ideal running conditions**

Staff who participated
Mr Szczerbanik
Mr Graham
Miss French
Mr Fullarton
Mr Dew
Mr O’Meagher
Mr McKay

**All students who beat the teacher in their race received a freddo frog at the finish line. Participants welcomed the fruit that was provided after their race.**

**Rostrum Voice of Youth Competition**

Need help with public speaking? Everyone needs to communicate and be understood. Last Saturday I represented Rose Bay High School in the Rostrum Voice of Youth competition. This involved presenting a prepared six minute speech, on which my topic was ‘The Price of Progress’. We also had to give an impromptu speech that lasted for three minutes. We were given ten minutes to prepare our speech on one of three topics. The topic I chose for this was ‘My Secret Regret’. Having never prepared an impromptu speech before, this was extremely nerve-racking! I found the experience rewarding and was pleasantly surprised at how enjoyable the whole experience was. I really hope to see more Rose Bay High participants in the future.

Emily Garratt 8C

**Fundraising report update for Vietnam Cambodia Project**
- where Rose Bay and Clarence students will help to build a classroom in Treak Village outside Siem Reap, Cambodia

Fundraising is now in full swing and students at both schools are becoming increasingly committed as they gain an understanding of the implications of their endeavours. Our first joint effort, a Car Boot Sale, held on Sunday 17 May, was, apart from the wind, a most pleasant and successful day. There was a steady flow of visitors who enjoyed the BBQ, cakes, coffees and milkshakes – not to mention the bargains that they procured.
A special thank you to Vickie Charlton and Elisabeth Pilgrim as coordinators, as well as to their husbands, who did all the hard lifting, carting and set up on the day. Michelle Oates must also be acknowledged for organising not only the lolly jar but an awesome, and unexpected, donation from Ranelagh Nursery, who contributed two trays of advanced plants.

The next event will be a second Car Boot Sale at Clarence High in one week; so if you didn’t have time to get your unwanted belongings together…… . Sunday May 31. Phone Claire on 0427 473735. This will be fantastic, a wind free zone!!!

Also pencil in to your diaries the Jazzersize class to be held in the gym on Friday, June 19 between 7 and 8 pm.

A big thanks to all those people who have so far contributed to supporting our efforts.

**UNIFORM SHOP**
The uniform shop will be open every Friday from 8:30am to 10am.

**A BIG THANK YOU TO MUNDY’S MEAT SUPPLY** for donating sausages for our Nepal Fundraising sausage sizzle.

Southern Cross Cultural Exchange
**LEARN ABOUT YOURSELF!**
As Marcel Proust, a late 19th Century novelist wrote: “the real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes but having new eyes”. Volunteer to host an international high school student arriving into Australia in July 2015 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 see the world in a new light.

Carefully selected students will arrive in July for one Term, one semester or two semesters from France, Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Spain, Sweden, Norway, Finland, and Denmark. They will attend a local High School, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive health insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. To enquire about becoming a volunteer host family visit us at www.scce.com.au email scceaustr@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.

**Wanted to buy**
Exeter High School automotive department would like to buy the following car parts for their school based projects.
Early 1990s Toyota Hilux 2.4 Diesel engine or parts especially starter motor, injector pump and water pump, plus an interior parts dash, seats and door trims.
Mazda 626, 2 door Coupe 1979/80.
We would like a complete car (Coupe or Sedan) to use as a donor car.
Any parts would be appreciated.
Please contact: - Nigel Cunningham on 0439 194 545 or contact Exeter High School on 6394 4366.
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