



Parent Newsletter

EDITION 15 FRIDAY 12th SEPTEMBER, 2008

TERM 3 WEEK 9

LAST DAY OF TERM 3

FRIDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER

STUDENTS DISMISSED AT 2.30PM

Could I take this opportunity to wish everyone in the school community a wonderful holiday. It is amazing that we are facing the end of term, it has passed so quickly. Last night we welcomed all our Year 7 students for 2009.

Parents and students were greeted by our musicians and choir and over twenty staff ensured that Year 7 course selection occurred. We are excited to think that these students will be the first group of Year 7 students to start under the name of Rosehill Secondary College.

We are aware that our Year 12 students are working extremely hard and preparing for exams. Many Year 12 students and teachers will be having classes over the holidays. We wish them the very best for this exam period.

Anne Fox
Principal

HEAD LICE

We would like to advise that a case of Head Lice has been reported to the College. Please check your child's hair.

PRE "LOVED" UNIFORM AVAILABLE

Due to the uniform update this year, the College would like to offer students from Year 8 to VCE the opportunity to avail themselves of any items of uniform they may require

AT A COST OF ONLY \$5.00 PER ITEM.

Please note that this uniform can only be worn until the end of Term 1—2009.

This stock will be available at Recess **ONLY**

Please come to the General Office for assistance.

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JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

End of term

Not long to go before the term three break. Many students have shown dramatic improvement in their progress this term, congratulations to you all. This has been a very busy term and we look forward to the final term for the year. It will be a very busy term four, particularly for Year 8 students.

- Week one is the girls day out excursion on 8th October, no boys allowed.
- Week four is the Year 8 Camp to Anglesea, parent permission forms and medical forms together with final payment are due by the end of this term. Any student interested in attending even at this late stage need to see Mr Soumalias or Ms Mullins ASAP.

Parent Teacher Interviews

It was great to see so many parents and guardians attend the parent teacher interview session earlier this week. It is vitally important that we as parents attend to our children's education. This promotes our value of education and sends a clear message to our children that we value their progress and learning needs.

Subject Selection for 2009

This process has finished for Year 7 and 8 students. Any students who have not returned their subject selection forms by Friday, 12th September will forfeit their choice of selecting subjects for the 2009 school year.

Getting to Know You Evening

Last night we held our annual 'Getting to Know You Evening' for the Grade 6 students attending Rosehill Secondary College next year. Thank you to all the staff for their help and support throughout the evening and also a big thank you to India Blackmore and Carl Watson who hosted the night. Ms Ellis organised a wonderful skit called an Ancient Greek Drama for the evening, well done to those students great work. A big thank you to Mr Crocker, Ms Bonett and the Intermediate School Band for entertaining the everyone on Thursday night.

Awards

Students who have received year level awards in recent times will be issued with movie tickets so please come and see us next week. There will be a slight change in the award process from this point on. The conditions are;

- Four certificates will gain you a Year Level Award
- Six certificates will gain you a Year Level Award and movie ticket.
- Congratulation to all students who have received Year Level Awards this term. Keep up the great work!

* Mitchell Lukey	* Nazanin Fadavi	* Millie Quinlan
* Riley Gilbert	* Bridget Jinks	* Tenielle Young
* Natalie Antipas	* Alyse Strilakos	* Rebecca Reeves
* James Lojko	* Spiros Tsaroumis	* Jordan Lobosco
* Caroline Pham	* Caitlyn Rustem	* Salah Wassel
* Michael Sanchez	* Joshua Slovacek	

MIDDLE SCHOOL REPORT

CITY CENTRE

Congratulations to all the Year 9 students who attended the City Centre Orientation Excursion over the last 2 weeks. I have commented a few times what a great group the Year 9's are and they have continued to prove it. The aim of the excursion was for students to:

- Locate the City Centre
- Be introduced to the squashy world of public transport (some for their first trip on the train)
- Locate various important parts of Melbourne Central
- Identify areas that may interest them for their projects

Get an idea of the responsibility and trust that will be a vital part of the week in the city. From our point of view all aims were achieved. The work now begins for students to develop their hypothesis, write survey questions, organise interviews and plan for their week in the city.

A reminder of the dates:

Monday 13th October to Friday 17th October – 9A, 9D, 9E and 9F

Monday 20th October to Friday 24th October – 9B, 9C, 9G and 9H

PRESENTATION EVENINGS

Thursday 30th October – 9A, 9D, 9E and 9F

Tuesday 11th November - 9B, 9C, 9G and 9H

Put these dates in your diary. If you have any concerns/questions don't hesitate to contact me at school on 9337 2488.

Email: adams.samantha.sa@edumail.vic.gov.au

City Centre web site: www.thecitycentre.org.au

DRIVER ED – YEAR 10

The feedback has been great from the drivers that have been taking the first group of Year 10 students for their driving lessons. The focus of the theory and driving session has been safe driving and avoiding potential accidents. As young drivers are over representing in accident statistics we feel this is a vital aspect of ID. Well done to those students.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

It was great to see so many parents at Parent Teacher Interviews on Tuesday. Many students were given the praise they deserve for great efforts this term and it is always pleasing to discuss the progress of fantastic kids with their parents. It was also a wake up call (and a kick in the pants) for some students who have been in hibernation over the winter months and we are not seeing the work that they are capable of. All students should be using the coming holidays as a chance to:

- Catch up on unfinished work
- Organise folders/binder books etc – throw out unnecessary sheets
- Make sure English novels are finished
- Go over areas that you didn't understand during the term

The end of semester 2 always comes around very quickly (especially for the year 9's with their week in the city) and exams and reports will soon be upon us.

YEAR 10 2009 WORK EXPERIENCE

Well done to those students and parents who have organised work experience placements for 2009. Several organisations do not decide until the end of the year on placements – which is very frustrating for many students who want to have things organised now. It is also important to know that many organisations, once they finalise places in 2009 or have their quota of students will not accept anymore. This is definitely a case of FIRST IN BEST DRESSED. The school holidays are a great time for students to investigate placements. Suggestions:

- Go to companies/organisations that are in the area of interest
- Phone companies/organisations that are in the area of interest

Discuss work experience with family and friends for possibilities.

VCE Report



As Term 3 draws to a close the VCE School is bustling as students complete their course selections, VTAC preferences and make post school pathways decisions. Year 12 students are finalising their assessments and beginning the revision period for October tests and the all important final exams which commence on **October 31**.

A reminder that critical dates for Year 12 students are as follows:

- Year 12 students who are NOT undertaking Year 12 assessment tasks may finish school on the last day of Term 3, Friday 19th September. If all teachers have indicated that all outcomes have been satisfactorily completed. Clearance documents will be issued to these students next week.
- Final PPP drafts need to be submitted to Ms McKay for checking by the end of term (Friday 19th September)
- VTAC applications close at 5.00pm on 30th September.
- VTAC SEAS applications close at 5.00pm on 10th October.
- The Year 12 Group Photograph will take place on Monday, 6th October (first day of Term 4) at 11.20am in the ECA centre. Full school uniform is to be worn – students may need to borrow any missing components from a Year 11 student.
- October tests commence on Monday 13th October to Wednesday 15th October. Students will receive their timetables this week.
- Year 12 classes continue as normal from Thursday 16th October – Thursday 23rd October.
- Final Year 12 Assembly and morning tea on Friday 24th October, prior to the commencement of Swat Vac.

Year 12 exams commence with English on Friday, 31st October

Year 12 Graduation Dinner

Students will receive letters outlining details of the Graduation Dinner later this week. This gala event, which celebrates the conclusion of the Year 12 exam period, will be held on Friday 21st November at Ultima Receptions. Tickets will be on sale shortly from the General Office. We encourage all students and their families to attend.



Charles Hawker Scholarship – Year 12

These scholarships, valued at up to \$60,000 over 4 years, are available nationally to 10 students. Selection is based on personal qualities and academic ability. Interested students should visit the scholarship website on www.hawkerscholarship.org for information, and applications. Applications open 1st December and close 9th January, 2009.

Revision Classes

Brochures are available in the VCE Centre for various Unit 4 revision classes run by reputable providers. All Year 12 students should think carefully about enrolling in at least some of these during the holidays.

CAREERS

Pivot Point Hairdressing Academy 2 Day Introductory Workshops

This workshop will be run from 9.00am to 5.00pm over 2 days during the September school holidays—2nd & 3rd October. Areas covered include carer information, hands on styling, drying and long hair techniques, introduction to cutting and colour, client relations and people skills. Cost is \$99. See Ms McKay, visit the Pivot Point website or call 9670 1200 for further details.

Apprenticeship In Carpentry – Stairwell Maker

A position exists for a sensible student with a keen interest in carpentry to join a firm which makes and installs timber stairwells. I have promoted this to students via home room but have had no indications of interest. Please contact Ms McKay if you are interested.

Hospitality Positions

Waiting staff required at Ascot House Receptions. Students will also gain Certificate II in Hospitality Operations whilst they work.

Sandwich hands required at Subway (Melbourne Airport). See Ms McKay if interested.



Science Week



The corridor in the Science area was a buzz with students involved in activities for Science Week. Students partook in giant bubble blowing, rocket launches, dissections and slime making. A hit with the students was the chance to make some food using Science techniques. The students walked away with some sherbet and ice cream! On Monday the Dry Ice activities and balloon and table top trick were also big draw cards. Students were shown the science behind a number of our favourite superheroes and were given the chance to draw their own. On Friday Snake Buster Raymond impressed the students with a number of large reptiles and baby crocodile. They were able to get up close and personal with a number of large pythons, frogs, turtles, lizards and not to mention some got to hold Joshua the crocodile. Raymond impressed them earlier with his talk on de venomised snakes. To prove his snakes were de venomised, he allowed a King Brown snake and Western Taipan to bite him! Overall, a big thank you needs to go to all of the teachers who ran the activities, and all of the students who got behind the week and supported Science.

Erin Bruns

HIP HOP FREEZA EVENT COMMITTEE – THE GHET~GO CREW

Moonee Valley Youth Services, in partnership with Freeza, are looking for interested youth who are into hip hop and want to gain some skills in organizing events, putting on a dance comp, DJ workshops etc it can be anything you would like as long as it is urban related. The group meets fortnightly after school in Moonee Ponds. If this sounds like something you would be into please contact Arna Singleton 9243 8708 or asingleton@mvcc.vic.gov.au

CULTURAL INFLUENCES ON THE EATING BEHAVIOURS OF ITALIAN & CHINESE ADOLESCENTS

Students of Italian and Chinese backgrounds (1st, 2nd or 3rd generations), are invited to take part in a study conducted by Maree Ortika, PhD student at Deakin University. Students will have to complete an online survey at 2 separate intervals (2 weeks apart) relating to their cultural beliefs, values and traditions and the kinds of food they eat. Surveys can be completed at school or at home by the time specified by the researcher. All participants will go into the draw to win movie vouchers as a token of appreciation for their involvement. Please see Ms Moscogiuri if you fit the criteria and are interested in participating in this study.

Sports Update



Athletics - Green House Dominate

Congratulations to the students of Green House who outnumbered and in many cases outperformed their Gold House counterparts to win the Athletics carnival by more than 1000 points. It was a great day at the Harold Steven's Athletics Track in Coburg, with the large numbers of students that took part in the day being very impressive.

Future stars to keep an eye on include;

Junior School: Jake Butterworth, Lauren Gabrielle, Steph Garra, Daniel Gor, Tafadzwa Gwitima, Emma Lording, Madeline Mocnik, Renee McMahon, Millie Quinlan, Paul Reichelt, Matthew Sant, Evan Van Der Byl and Taryn Windle.

Middle School: Elorah Cooper, Kevin Cosgriff, Sam Greygoose, Jamie-Lee Kenny Page, Bradley McLaren, James Moloney, Tanya Paunovic, Maggie Quinlan, Tess Radojic, Jake Ralston and Lauren Young.

VCE Students: Michael Hirth, Tanya Intagliata, Melissa Lebar, Ezra Peitsch and Mischa Phillips,

Thank you to all the staff and students who assisted in making the day a success. The work they put in prior to the carnival and during the events was fantastic. Once again the support of everyone involved was much appreciated. A special thanks to Year 11 student Melissa Lebar who worked tirelessly for an entire day leading in to the carnival with various organisational duties.

Best of luck to all of the students who are representing the College in the Western Zone Section 'A' Athletics next Wednesday.

Junior Basketball

Congratulations to the Year 7 Girls and the Year 8 Boys who won the Pascoe District round robin events and with play in the Western Zone Finals in October. The girls won their first two games by 60 points and the final by 35 points over Pascoe Vale Girls. The boys beat Strathmore in their first game by two points, winning their next two games comfortably before defeating our 'B Team' in the final. Well done to all of the students who were involved.

Year 8 Boys and Girls Hockey Report

Congratulations to the Year 8 boys and girls who represented the College at the Interschool Hockey Carnival on Monday 8th September at Essendon Hockey Centre. Despite playing only one match against Strathmore Secondary College, a much stronger and more experienced opponent, the boys played with courage and valour. It was pretty much a game of defence and the boys lost 8-0. However, without the efforts and dogged persistence of Dylan Burgess (who played on despite a broken toe!), Brock Barta, Jake Napoli and Sam Honey, the loss would have been much heavier. Extra special mention: Josh Starzer who donned the goalie gear and faced a barrage of shots from a ruthless Strathmore attack.



The girls surprised themselves. Showing flair, speed and teamwork, the Year 8 girls celebrated a win against the girls from Pascoe Vale and dominated the game. Laura Bramley's natural talent as a sportsperson came to the surface and she chased, tackled and dived and was easily Best On Ground. The second game against a more experienced Strathmore had its ups and downs. After Laura slotted a cracking goal from a penalty corner in the opening minute, the Rosehill girls again surprised themselves. Strathmore were in shock and their coach went bananas. To their credit Strathmore fought back and at half time we were down 1-2. The girls fought bravely and persisted, but in the end Strathmore was just too strong. We now look to next year and rebuild. A special mention to the whole team - they were awesome! Laura Bramley, Jacinta Paskalidis, Maddison Murphy, Emma Blair, Joanne Akers, Sinead Bogatko, Tenealle Young, Lauren Gabriele, Kelly Williams, Jade Mullins and Rebecca Bramley.

Mr Toussaint (Coach)

Congratulations—Year 7 & 8 Volleyball



"Congratulations to the Year 7 & 8 girls volleyball team for competing so well against Buckley Park and Pascoe Vale Girls last week. With minimal training the team consisting of mainly Year 7 students was extremely competitive against Year 8 girls. We lost our games by only 2 points per set. Great effort girls I look forward to an equally impressive performance during the Year 7 competition early next term."

Regards Mr Soumalias (Coach)

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SEPTEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
7 Week 9	8 Junior School Hockey	9 PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS Student Free Day	10 Junior Girls Basketball	11 Junior Boys Basketball Year 7—2009 Getting to know you Evening	12 Newsletter	13
14 Week 10	15 School Council	16	17 Western Zone Section A Athletics	18	19 Last Day of Term 3 Early Dismissal 2.30pm	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
MONDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER TO FRIDAY 3RD OCTOBER**

OCTOBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5 Week 1	6 First Day of Term 4 Yr 12 Group Photo Full School Uniform	7	8	9	10	11
12 Week 2	13	14	15	16	17	18
City School 9A, 9D, 9E, 9F						
19 Week 3	20	21	22	23	24	25
City School 9B, 9C, 9G, 9H						
26 Week 4	27 School Council	28	29	30 City School Presentation Evening 9A, 9D, 9E & 9F	31 Yr 12 Exams Start Interim Reports Distributed	
Year 8 Camp—Anglesea						

Invitation - BUS SHOPPING TOUR



Saturday 25th October
Departing Rosehill Secondary College at 7.30am
Adults—\$52 Students—\$26



Includes Morning Tea and Lunch at The Castle Hotel

Outlets Include: Five Star Direct Factory Clearance Outlet, Club Accessories, Natio, LeVon Lingerie, The Richmond Chocolate Factory, Olga Berg, Peter Andrew Clothing, 1999, The Castle Hotel, Feelgood Plant Earth, Beaches, Christmas Cave, WH Amad's Manchester & Toy Networkx

Please call Glenda Cusack on 9337 4433 to secure your seat. Payments can be collected at the General Office.

RSVP & Payment Required by Thursday 9th October, 2008