



Rosehill Secondary College

Parent Newsletter

EDITION 2 - Friday 7th August, 2009

TERM 3

Welcome to the second parent bulletin for Term 3. This is a very busy and exciting term for the school community and one needs to only look at the calendar of events for proof.

We would all agree that the Cabaret was a massive success. The performances were outstanding and everyone involved had tremendous fun. The entertainment value had been likened by one grandparent as "being as good if not better than Moulin Rouge". Rosehill is extremely lucky to have such talented students and staff.

Looking ahead for the rest of term I can see myself, along with staff, students and parents spending a lot more time at school than usual.

Year 10 students had a careers expo at school this week. We had many representatives from industry present to talk to students. These expos hit home to us just how quickly our students grow up. I remember so many of the Year 10's when they were in Year 7, and it is exciting to see them at the initial stages of choosing a future pathway into adulthood and responsibilities that come with it.

Linked to this expo is the VCE subject selection process which has already begun. On 12th August we will be holding a Year 10 to 11 VCE information evening and the interviews for subject counselling will be held on the 26th August. Put these dates in your diary or on your calendar.

The Year 11 to 12 VCE information evening is on 19th August.

This week we have two camps out: The Year 10 Ski Camp and a Year 11 Outdoor Education camp. Both are experiencing life on the ski fields, but the Year 11 component will have a rigorous theory component attached to it. Hopefully all is going well.

Friday 21st August is a special evening in the school's history. It will mark the opening of our new Year 12 VCE Centre. Rob Hulls, the Attorney General will be doing the official ceremony and other dignitaries from the Department of Education will be present. The next day will be our 50 year celebrations. I have met many parents who had connections to this school when it was a Technical College so spread the word around. We have hundreds of photos highlighting the history of the school and its students stored on a DVD which will be for sale. Other items of memorabilia will be available as well.

Two more events are worth making note of: The music department is doing a show called Beatlemania on 2nd September and the Debutante Ball is on 11th September. There are 41 girls in the Deb Ball so it will be a grand affair and I am really looking forward to it.

In my role as Acting Principal some parents like to ring me and talk to me about a concern they may have. In most cases they apologise for taking up my time but parents should not feel this way. I always appreciate these calls because I need to know how our parents are feeling and all the discussions that take place are productive and help me build a bigger picture of the Rosehill school community. The more parents I meet and talk to, the more I am assured of the wonderful people attached to this school.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL REPORT

CAREER EXPO

Congratulations to all Year 10 students who once again represented the school with the maturity we have come to expect during the Career Expo. Over 30 speakers from a wide range of fields spoke to students about the career options in their field.

Speakers included:

Accounting	Hair and Beauty	Fitness	Engineering
Criminal Justice	Aviation	Graphic Design	Nursing
Building	Marine Biology	Fashion	Apprenticeships
Retail	Teaching	Automotive	Hospitality

Rosehill Secondary College would like to thank all of the companies and people involved in the Year 10 Career Expo

Thanks to the VCAL students who acted as hosts for the guest speakers

YEAR 10 SUBJECT SELECTION

Students are currently working through their pathways booklet and preparing their application for VCE or VCAL.

Important Dates:

Wednesday 12th August – Subject Expo

Wednesday 12th August – Parent Information Evening 7.00pm in the library

Friday 21st August – All Pathways and VCE and VCAL applications due

Wednesday 26th August – Subject Counselling Day. You will be notified of your appointment time early next week

CITYSCAPE

It was great to see so many parents at the Cityscape Information Evening held on Tuesday. It is a challenging experience for both parents and students to take this type of risk in their education. The program challenges Year 9 students to accept responsibility, keep safe, work in teams and reflect maturely on a whole range of issues.

You can find more information about the program at www.fya.org.au

City Centre Dates:

Monday 5th October to Friday 9th October – 9G and 9H

Monday 12th October to Friday 16th October – 9C and 9F

Monday 19th October to Friday 23rd October – 9E and 9B

Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October – 9A and 9D

Students will attend the city every day during that week.

Presentation Evening Dates:

Tuesday 10th November – 9C, 9F, 9G and 9H

Tuesday 24th November – 9A, 9B, 9D and 9E

These presentations are a vital aspect of the program.

Don't hesitate to contact us if you have any queries out Cityscape.

ROSEHILL SECONDARY COLLEGE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The Athletics Carnival will take place on Monday 24th August at Coburg Athletics Track. Students will need to return a permission form and pay \$6.00 at the General Office (Please note this charge was on the booklist – thanks to those parents who have already paid) Your child be notified if they have paid by their tutor group teacher.

Students will compete in their year level in the following events:

Javelin	Shot Put	Discus	High Jump	Long Jump	Triple Jump
100m	200m	400m	800m	1500m	3,000m

50th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

On Saturday 22nd August, we are celebrating 50 years of Rosehill Secondary College/Niddrie Secondary College/Niddrie Technical School. The school will be open from 10.00am to 4.00 pm for former staff and students to meet up with old friends and colleagues. We look forward to seeing you. For more details please contact Sue Egan 9337 2488 or egan.sue.s@edumail.vic.gov.au

Science News

Kangan Batman Tafe recently closed its science laboratory and offered Rosehill the opportunity to collect some glassware and classroom materials free of charge. As accidents happen in the science classrooms, it is great to be able to receive additional test tubes, standard flasks, balloon flasks and a variety of other materials to keep our stocks in check. Special thanks needs to go to Anna Gabriele for calling the school and offering the goodies to us! Thanks very much to Kangan Batman Tafe.

Big Ideas 3 is a textbook soon to be marketed to students in Years 9 and 10 across Victoria. The textbook series looks at linking the common areas of science into themed chapters. Recently, six Rosehill Secondary College students were asked to be involved in a photo shoot to highlight specific practical processes and classroom activities. There were 85 photos taken on the day and the students helped set up equipment and remained glamorous for their photo opportunity. Catherine Charles-Brown of Oxford Publishing commented on how wonderfully friendly and mature the students were. She was amazed at their knowledge and their ability to work efficiently throughout the day. The students involved were Jarryd French and Jamie Williams of Year 11 and Jacinta Ashen, Ben Burgess, Alana Fahey and Ashok Naidu of Year 10. Special thanks to our laboratory technician Lilly for organising all of the equipment leading up to the day.



Science Week is coming! The official date for Science Week to be celebrated at the school is the week of 24th to 28th August. During this week students will be able to experience some science experiments and displays ranging from Slime Making, Bottle Rockets, Sherbet Making, The Amazing Race and lots more. Year 7 students will be able to watch the performance of Rock me Galileo. Rock me Galileo is a wild ride through the discoveries of Galileo, the father of modern science! In a hilarious combo of pop songs and comic sketches, students will be taken on an exhilarating trip through the breakthroughs and theories of a man whose view of the world – that it revolved around the sun – made him a revolutionary of his day and shaped the future.

Stay tuned for more information!

VCE News

Open days for Tertiary Institutes It is recommended that both Year 11 & 12 students attend these events to see what's on offer and to get a feel of the campuses.

RMIT	9 th Aug
VU	9 th Aug
William Angliss	9 th Aug
Deakin (Geelong)	9 th Aug
Holmesglen	15 th Aug
ACU	16 th Aug
Swinburne	16 th Aug
Melbourne Uni	16 th Aug
Deakin (Melbourne)	23 rd Aug
Boxhill TAFE	23 rd Aug
La Trobe	30 th Aug

Year 12

Students who sat the Mid-year exams and Studio Art SAT, had their results distributed to them Monday 3rd August. Students are to be aware that these results are part of cumulative scoring process and should continue to implement a good revision strategy.

VTAC has opened for course selection, students will have an introductory session with Mr Raiti and then an individual counselling session to ensure that students are selecting courses appropriately. Timely applications close 30th September. After this date applications can still be made but with a more costly fee.

Just a little warning some students are starting to plan schoolies, make sure that the course you select does not have any extra requirements, such as an interview as these are usually conducted the last week in November or first week in December.

Year 11

Course selection process is also beginning with the students. They will have an individual counselling session at the start to look at their MIPs. Then they investigate the Pathways and Tertiary institutes with any prerequisites required, followed by another individual session 3rd September to ensure correct selections have been carried out. Information night on 19th August will be held for parents and Year 11 students at 7pm. On this night we will discuss the major difference between Year 11 and Year 12.

Parenting Teenagers Through Challenging Times

Are you losing sleep over your adolescents' alcohol/drug use or depression/ anxiety?

Do you sometimes wonder if what you are doing as a parent is helping them to mature?

Are you interested in learning some small changes parents can make, that have very positive impacts?

Is there someone you know who this could apply to?

If so, you are welcome to attend a FREE seminar at Drummond Street Relationship Centre at 195 Drummond St, Carlton Monday 17th August 6.30-8pm

You will be asked to take part in an evaluation to see how effective these strategies are but there is NO COST or obligation associated

with this seminar. Ring Sarah to reserve your place, on 9663 6733.

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

It is VITAL that the school office is kept updated with home/mobile/work emergency contact numbers for students. Particularly if these numbers have changed recently.

It is also important that the school has additional emergency numbers in case parents are unavailable .

AUGUST / SEPTEMBER 2009

<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat/Sun</i>	<i>Week</i>
10	11	12 Yr 10 Subject Expo Yr 10 VCE Parent evening	13	14	15/16	Week 5
17 Yr 8,9 & 10 Receive Unit Handbook	18 Yr 7 & 8 Boys Tennis	19 Yr 8 Soccer Finals Yr 11 VCE Info Night	20	21 VCE Centre OPENING 5.30pm to 8.30pm 50th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS	22/23	Week 6
24 School Athletics Carnival	25 Girls & Boys Basketball	26 Yr 7 & 8 Girls Basketball Yr 10 & 11 Subject Counseling Day	27	28	29/30	Week 7
31 Yr 7 & 8 Boys Basketball Yr 9 & 10 Course Selection Day	1	2 Beatlemania performance	3 Immunisation Injections Year 11 & 12 Course Counseling	4 Yr 9 & 10 Subject Selections Due	5/6	WEEK 8
7 VCAL Work experience	8	9	10 Classes Finish 12pm Parent Teacher Interviews 1pm to 8pm	11 DEB BALL	12/13	WEEK 9
14 VCAL Work Experience	15 Getting To Know You Evening and Course Selection for 2010 Yr 7 students	16	17	18 LAST DAY OF TERM DISMISSED 2.30PM	19/20	Week 10

STUDENT ABSENCES

Parents Please Note - To advise of student absences please contact the College directly on

9331-9639.

If the number is unattended please leave a message with details on the answering service.
Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

FOR SALE

NEW Blue Rosehill Secondary College Jumper

Size 18

Call Evonna 9338 8112 or 0408 010 .

CONGRATULATIONS
TO ALL STUDENTS INVOLVED IN THE
'MOVIE MANIA' DANCE CABARET

An excellent display of students (and certain teachers) talents over the three days during July at the Ukrainian Hall. It was an absolute performance extravaganza!!!
Well done to all involved!



