

## **Fortnightly Deputy Newsletter Week 4 & 5 Term 4: MONDAY 1st Nov. 2010**

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### **Trivia Night of Nights. Last chance to.... get your tickets..**

Please keep this date free and organise a table for our major school fundraising event. This night is organised by our P&C who do amazing work supporting our school. Tables will be in groups of 10 so get your friends organised now. For \$25 a ticket it's a great fun night out. The P&C would also love more parents to help with any aspect of the organisation, particularly if you are interested in finding donations from local businesses or companies. Please contact Judy Koerber at [judy@mediaways.com.au](mailto:judy@mediaways.com.au) or on 9300 6500 or Julie Hopkins at [jhopkins@smallco.com.au](mailto:jhopkins@smallco.com.au) or on 9365 0910.

### **PARENT EVENING - Vital information for parenting your adolescent child**



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### **"Safe Partying"**

**Date:** Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2010

**Venue:** College Hall

**Time:** 7pm – 8:30pm/9pm

#### **Topics Covered include**

Point Zero's presentation will address the complex issues that young people and parents face in relation to parties and alcohol and other drugs. The following areas will be covered:

- Current views on young people and alcohol and other drugs
- Responsibilities of parents / young people in party situations

- Communication between adolescents and their parents in respect of drugs, alcohol and safe partying
- What to do in an emergency situation
- Decision making/consequences of actions

Put this important date in your diary, we look forward to seeing many of you there!

### **Photographic Competition “From sun rise to fall be kind to all”**

Open to all students. This competition is for photographs with the by line “from sun rise to fall be kind to all” - **pictures of kindness in action.** The focus of the competition, run in conjunction with EAA, World Kindness Movement and the Gen Team is to encourage acts of kindness especially for those students in our region who have less, particularly access to basics such as sanitation and water.

All students at the college can **enter an A4 photograph** with their full name, class and contact number on a sticker on the back. Photographs can be one real image, a composites image or virtual (graphic) image based on the theme. Entries are due 5 pm 18th November at RBSC School reception.

Round 1: On 19th November World Toilet Day/ World Kindness Day at the school 10 finalists will be announced. The jury for this: Tamara Graham (architectural photographer), Andrea Nield, Michael Lloyd-White, Denise Archie and a representative (Teacher Staff or student) from the school (to be selected).

The photographs will form a mural in a location the students select to enliven the school corridors and are aimed at reminding the children to be kind to each other.

Round 2: The 10 photographs will go forward as finalist to be selected by some of the more famous architectural photographers at the EAA Christmas party on 7th Dec. All the ten students will be invited to attend with their parents and the 3 prizewinners announced.

The prizes will be 1. A photography course 2. A 8 GB memory stick 3. A 4 GB memory Stick and all will have their work framed and publicised (further details of this will follow shortly). Encourage your child to enter this exciting competition.

### **From the Deputy’s Desk**

#### **Keep this information handy... Info. For Parents about Sydney Buses.**

Go to this website for parents to get info re school buses for RBSC.

<http://www.sydneybuses.info/schools/rbsc>

#### **Vaccinations**

The next round of Vaccinations will be for year 7 on Monday 15<sup>th</sup>. Students will receive second dose of the Hep B program and / or their third dose or HPV vaccination. Consent forms for these doses have already been returned to the school. Your child may only receive this final dose of these vaccines if they have previously returned the forms, and had the earlier doses. Please ensure your child is at school to receive this vaccination. Consent forms were sent home with students via roll call in week 3 for the chicken pox vaccination – this is a one only vaccine. If you wish for your child to receive this vaccination please return the consent forms to the front office by this date.

**Homework ‘Club’ continues until Week 6. And don’t forget we have a great study skills website. With loads of tips, hints and ways to get you that great result.**

**Home work Club runs every Monday afternoon 3.30 till 5 pm in the library.**

**Study hint for November.**

Now that computers play such a large role in our lives, it is worth thinking now and then about your computer skills. This month, one of the new units on [www.studyskillshandbook.com.au](http://www.studyskillshandbook.com.au) looks at Basic Computer Skills – you’ll find it in the For Students tab. Some of the areas covered are

firstly physical care for your computer; there are all sorts of hazards from pets to dust that can cause problems for your computer. The unit also suggests ways to set up your files and folders for school, nothing worse than trying to find a file when they are all named science1, science2 etc. And don't forget the importance of regular back-ups and system checks to ensure your files are protected and your computer runs smoothly. When did you last do a back up of your files and where do you keep this back up? Lastly, if you are a notebook or laptop user, you'll definitely want to check out the section on maximizing battery life.

Our school's subscription details to this online study skills website for secondary school students are -

User name:forrosebaysconly

Password:111results

### **Digital Citizenship. What does that mean? For our students. For our parents.**

Digital citizenship can be defined as the norms of appropriate, responsible behavior with regard to technology use. DET is leading the way in producing digitally literate students. Have a look at our websites below.

<http://www.digitalcitizenship.nsw.edu.au/>

[http://www.digitalcitizenship.net/Home\\_Page.html](http://www.digitalcitizenship.net/Home_Page.html)

## **The Calendar**

Date	Event
Nov 2	Visit to HMAS Watson P&C meeting – 7.30pm Year Commerce – money saving workshop
Nov 6	TRIVIA NIGHT – P&C fundraising event
Nov 8 - 11	Year 10 School Certificate Tests
Nov 11	Combined Rose Bay SC & Primary Schools Choral Concert

[Our school Calendar](#)

## **Departmental News**

[Curriculum Webpage](#)

### **Mathematics**

#### **Year 7 Mathematics –**

Year 7 examination will be held during week 6.

Comprehensive yearly exam:

- \* it is a 1 period test to be done in class time during week 6
- \* calculators are NOT allowed
- \* the topics to be covered from semester 2 are: angles, further algebra, decimals, directed number and 2D shapes. The test will also cover brief content from semester 1
- \* there are 35 short answer questions and 5 long answer questions

#### **Year 8 Mathematics**

Yearly examination for year 8 is scheduled at November 8<sup>th</sup>

#### **Year 9 Mathematics**

Year 9 at November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Students have been given the details already and have to revise the topic contents thoroughly. They can use the on line packages – Mathletics and Maths Online -

offered. Students who have not yet subscribed can pay \$15 to the finance office and give the receipt to the class teacher for the password.

The certificates of Australian Maths Competition and ICAS Maths Competition have arrived. Congratulations to all the certificate winners.

## **SCIENCE**

### **YR 7 Science**

Students have just started their last topic of the year, "Solid, Liquid and Gases". They will be given an in class assessment task and a topic test for this topic.

Year 7 yearly exam is in week 6 and will include all of the content they have learnt this year and part of their current topic. A stringent study schedule will ensure success in this exam. Students will receive a notification of this exam closer to the exam date from their class teacher.

### **YR 8 Science**

All students are currently working on their last topic of the year, "The Truth is Out There". They will be given an in class assessment task and a topic test for this topic. They should have submitted their Human Body assessment task and will sit their topic test for this topic in week 3.

Year 8 yearly exam is in week 5 and will include all of the content they have learnt this year and part of their current topic. A stringent study schedule will ensure success in this exam. Students will receive a notification of this exam closer to the exam date from their class teacher.

### **YR 9 Science**

Students have started their last topic of the year, "Dynamic Earth". They will be given an in class assessment task and a topic test for this topic. Their Resources assessment task should have been submitted and they sat their topic test for this topic in week 2.

Year 9 yearly exam is in week 4 and will include all of the content they have learnt this year and part of their current topic. A stringent study schedule will ensure success in this exam. Students who have not yet received a notification of dates and outcomes must see their teachers in class time.

### **YR 9 Marine Studies**

They're currently doing a topic on 'Fishing' and will be sitting their yearly exam at the end of week 4. A stringent study schedule will ensure success in this exam. Students who have not yet received a notification of dates and outcomes must see their teachers in class time.

### **Yr 10 Science**

Currently students are finishing their last topic of the science rotation and all assessments will be completed by the end of week 4.

Students have completed their trial School Certificate and should be in the process of studying for the School Certificate, which begins Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November. Marked trial exams have been handed back and the marking scheme is available from the teacher or on Edmodo Year 10 Science account "nvwizs". We advise all students to meticulously go through their exam and revise any weaknesses.

### **YR 11 into 12 Science Students**

The Science Department would like to welcome all students to the start of their HSC. Students will face many challenges during this year and may feel at times their whole life is riding open the next twelve month's outcome. However, remember that "giving your best" is the most important outcome and a valuable life skill. The challenges you will face will seem mere hurdles with a healthy and varied lifestyle, and a stringent study timetable. Setting a strong foundation now, will set the standard for the duration of the HSC.

**All students** studying HSC science courses are to ensure they have purchased their mandatory resources which will or may include DOT point, practical and exercise books. Please see your subject teacher for specifications. DOT point books can be purchased at the school for a cost of \$35.00, which is considerably cheaper than shop prices.

**Year 11/12 Biology** students have started their first HSC topic, maintaining a Balance, which focuses on the systems and mechanisms that maintain healthy cell function and the effects of environmental parameters on these. They have been handed their first assessment task, which is an open-ended investigation worth 20% of their final grade. This is due Friday week 4. All students are to purchase the Biology DOT point and exercise books.

**Year 11/12 Chemistry** students have started their first HSC topic, Production of Materials, which focuses on the search for new sources of traditional materials and new materials to produce valuable and useful products for society. They have been set mandatory homework and quiz every Monday. All students are to purchase the Chemistry DOT point and exercise books. Their first assessment task, which is worth 15% of their final grade, is due in week 9 and will be made available to the students in the next few weeks.

**Year 11/12 Senior Science** students have started their first HSC topic, Lifestyle Chemistry, which focuses on the application of science in the production, use and effects of consumer products such as, cosmetics, cleaning agents and pesticides. All students are to purchase Senior Science practical and exercise books.

**Year 11/12 Physics** students have started their first topic, Space, which focuses on space technology and the physics concepts behind it such as, gravitational force. Students are to purchase Physics DOT point and exercise books.

**YR 12 2010** - Year 12 students are coming to the end of their HSC final examinations. THE END IS NEAR. Congratulations and we wish you all the best and happiness with your future endeavors. CIAO!!!

## **PDHPE**

**PASS - Physical Activity and Sports Studies** for years 9 & 10

The PASS students are currently studying lifesaving in their theory lessons and taking part in European Handball for their practical lessons.

## **Languages**

**Italian:** Ms Leontieva's year 7 classes is working through their unit 'time'. Year 8 is completing their work on the family.

## **Creative and Performing Arts**

### **Music**

**Year 9 Music 200 hours** - Theory/Listening test on Friday Nov 5 begin working on their own choice performance piece due Dec 10

**8F music** Performance task due Friday Nov 5 Period 4

**8G music** Performance task due Monday Nov 8 Period 5

[Creative Arts Webpage](#)

## **History**

### **Year 7 History**

Their assessment task on Ancient Egyptian gods and goddesses is due in week 4.

### **Year 8 History**

Year 8 History is finishing off their unit on the Aztecs and will be starting their studies of colonisation and contact in Australia. Their final assessment task will be an in-class test on the Aztecs in week 5.

### **Year 9 History**

Year 9 History has an assessment task on Great Australian Personalities due in weeks 4 or 5.

### **Year 10 History**

Year 10 should be engaging in regular revision in the lead up to their School Certificate examination. They have lots of resources available to them to do so, including the online information in SKWIRK.

### **Year 11 History Students have started their HSC courses.**

**Society and Culture** students have been allocated their first task, the PIP proposal, which is due in week 8 of this term. They will be undertaking excursions to the State Library on the 1st November (Ms Collins) and the 9th November (Ms Metson) to facilitate the research process.

### **Ancient History**

Ancient History is working on the core topic: Pompeii and Herculaneum.  
Their first task will be due in week 7.

### **Modern History**

Modern History is working on the core topic: World War I.  
Their first assessment task is due week 9.

## **Social Science**

### **Year 7 Geography:**

There is a **Fieldwork Task** due in Week 4.

### **Year 8 Geography:**

1. Students will have an **Assessment Task** (i.e.: **exam**) on **geographical skills** (will be taught in class). The **exam** is in **week 5**.
2. Students are studying **Global Inequalities** (i.e.: *poverty, education, water access, literacy*). To **support their learning** of the course content, we are **FUNDRAISING** for CHILD FUND (or another NGO) during TERM 4.

The students may like to participate in "**THE HOMEWORK CHALLENGE**" (**information on the Rose Bay Website under "latest news"**). **Parents please read the handout** given to students that outlines the challenge and how it works. Any concerns or queries, please feel free to **contact Ms Kelly 9301 0300** (switch) or email [bronwyn.kelly4@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:bronwyn.kelly4@det.nsw.edu.au)

### **Year 9 Geography:**

Have a **Research Assessment Task 3 project** issued on **Edmodo**. The Assessment Task is to be **completed** and **submitted** via **Edmodo** by the due date (**WEEK 5 MONDAY 8TH NOVEMBER**).

Year 9 Commerce: The students are **running their Own Business** (Laptop Covers).

**ASSESSMENT TASK** (week 5): will be an in **class exam** on course work (**MARKETING, ELASTICITY, SELLING TECHNIQUES**)

### **Year 10 Geography:**

Please refer your child (ren) to the [SKWIRK WEBSITE](#) for their [TEXTBOOK NOTES](#) on [ALL CONTENT](#) for their SC Exam. [Usernames / Passwords](#) for SKWIRK have been given to students. Teachers can be contacted for the usernames / passwords if forgotten.

#### **Year 11 Economics:**

Students have begun learning their [HSC Course material](#). Topic 1 is about [The Global Economy](#). Please encourage your child to [watch the news](#) / [read newspapers](#) regarding global economic events.

[HOMEWORK BOOKLET](#) is to be completed by [EVERY FRIDAY](#) lesson.

[EVERY FRIDAY](#) LESSON is [QUIZ DAY](#) on their homework material.

#### **Year 11 Legal Studies:**

Students have begun learning their [HSC Course material](#). Topic 1 is about [Crime](#).

Please have your child [begin studying](#) / [preparing](#) for their Assessment Task 1 (week 9) on Crime.

Multiple choice and short answers.

**Year 11 Geography:** Students have begun learning their [HSC Course material](#). Topic 1 is about [Ecosystems](#). Please be aware the students have a [FIELDWORK TASK](#) (week 8) on [ECOSYSTEMS AT RISK](#).

#### **Technology and Applied Studies.**

**Year 7 Textiles** are making and creating boxer shorts, most students have brought their fabric in and are displaying some fantastic pattern cutting skills. I am looking forward to seeing the students using the sewing machines.

**Year 8 Textiles** are using 'Technology' as their inspiration and creating wonderful tapestries. It is line, shape and colour meeting the skill of sewing tapestry with abstract forms of i-pods, flat screen televisions, mobile phones and jet planes. The students are doing very well and within a few weeks we will see some excellent Textile Art.

**Yr11 Food Technology** has begun the HSC program and has just received their first assessment task. It is worth 15% of their final assessment mark and is due 30.11.10. This task is focusing on the Australian Food Industry and my expectations are that it will be done to year 12 standard, I urge everyone to start researching and formatting their response NOW, even though it is due in a month. Their are electronic copies available on Edmodo in case the hardcopy has strayed.

#### **Year Info**

##### **Year 7**

**Swim School Week...Looking forward to this fantastic event.**

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[Year 7 Web Page](#)

**Year 7s** - this year and year 7 2011. For some great insider tips on how to get organised, and



some really good science websites for students, go to:  
<http://www.rosebay-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/sws/view/2603.node>

## **Year 8**

[Year 8 Webpage](#)

## **Year 9**

### **Vision and Values team for 2011- Calling Year 9 students**

As the year draws to a close we are thinking about the students who will take on responsibility for the Vision and Values projects in 2011. Teams that they will have the opportunity to become involved in include: Environment Team – Working on the College Environment like mural painting or fundraising for shade cloth; Communications Team – working as college journalists reporting on college events AND/OR running the Radio Station (RRR Radio); Film Team – Creating Documentaries about the RBSC story; Peer Support – working with the Year 7 Advisers to welcome and assist Year 7 2011 in their transition to high school.

We are looking for students currently in **Year 9** to take become apart of these teams. Training will be provided in Week 5, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> November. A sign up sheet has been placed outside of the A Block staff room. Ask you child to register their interest.

### **Net book UPDATE.**

Congratulations to all year 9 students who responsibly handed their net books in for upgrade. Students conducted themselves in a mature and cooperative manner to enable the technicians to process 190 net books in 3 days. Well done.

Parents are reminded that your child's DET net book is vital learning equipment and students **MUST** bring them to school **EVERYDAY**, fully charged. If there is any issue with your child's net book, it is the responsibility as per the 'user agreement' signed by all parents and students to report the problem immediately to the Technical Service Officer. A select few students have been very irresponsible in regards to this agreement. Please ensure you remind your child of this requirement. Students without net books every day are not enhancing their opportunities for learning. Parent support is appreciated on this matter.

[Year 9 Webpage](#)

## **Year 10**

### **1. Sport in Term 4**

During term 4 students will begin completion of the Mandatory Senior Preparation Program. During Term 4 sport time students will be undertaking "teamwork challenge activities". Students are to meet at the Gym at the conclusion of lunch each Wednesday during Weeks 2- 5 of term 4. These activities form a part of the compulsory crossroads curriculum, which is a Board of Studies course that must be completed before students finish their HSC studies.

### **2. Year 10 Mandatory Stage 6 Preparation Program**

This Program will run full time during the weeks after the School Certificate Examinations, beginning in week 6 (15<sup>th</sup> November). This is a compulsory program for all students intending to enroll in senior study at RBSC. Some content of the preparation program must be satisfactorily completed in order for students to be eligible for the award of the Higher School Certificate. Eg 'HSC All MY Own Work' and "Crossroads". The course content includes the completion of the mandatory Cross Roads and "HSC all my own work" BOS programs; study and research skills; advanced learning skills using the net books; team building and challenge activities, the opportunity to hear from guest presents and attend an excursion to a Tertiary Education Institution.

Students travelling overseas after the School Certificate Examinations, must follow normal procedures when applying for leave, and bring a note to the school office requesting leave for this period of time. Students must also see Ms Metson in the A Block Staff room before leaving to arrange for the completion of alternative work. These tasks must be completed before these students can be enrolled in Preliminary HSC studies.



### **3. Work Experience**

At the conclusion of this formal program, Year 10 students are encouraged to participate in Work Experience, Volunteer Work or undertake employment. Students are encouraged to take the initiative and organise their own placement. Should students require assistance with this, they are to see Mr Bollard or Mr Manganaro. Parents are to write to the principal, Mr. Linton, outlining the employer and the nature of the work.

### **4. Final Graduation**

The Year 10 Graduation Ceremony will be held on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December, and begins at **9:30am** sharp, running for approximately 1.5hours.

To ensure the smooth organisation of the graduation ceremony, students are to report to the assembly hall at **8.40am** for a briefing practice, and to arrange seating. **Students MUST be in full school uniform, including black shoes and white socks.** Student's names will be marked off by their year Advisers and they will be asked to sit in their allocated seats.

[Year 10 Webpage](#)

### **Year 11**

[Year 11 Webpage](#)

### **Year 12**

[Year 12 Webpage](#)

### **Co-curricular**

**Choir** is back to schedule in week 4. Our Choir conductor will be visiting local Primary Schools and working with their choirs from Nov 1 till the **Combined Primary Schools & RBSC Choral Concert, Thursday Nov 11** at the College Hall at 6.30pm.

[Co Curricular Webpage](#)

### **Music**

[Music Ensemble Program](#)

### **Sport News**

Sport is running extremely well this term. You are reminded that ALL students from year 7 to 10 inclusive are to wear their FULL Rose Bay Secondary College sports uniform to school every Wednesday. Students who continuously do not wear the sports uniform may be placed on an after school detention. Students may also find they are not allowed to take part in their particular sport if they are not wearing the correct attire. Students are encouraged to wear a hat and bring a water bottle to sport every Wednesday.

[Sport Webpage](#)

### **P&C News**

Trivia Night. Last chance to get your tickets...fabulous prizes. Fabulous fun!

[P & C. Webpage](#)

### **Canteen News**

[Uniform Shop Webpage](#)

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