

Focus on your goals



This time last year, we were focused on the Olympics taking place in London. Those athletes kept their goals in focus and were committed to their action plans. This meant giving up some

things in order to train. They put their goals ahead of social life - they prioritised!

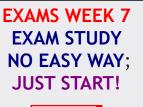
The next four months - August, September, October and November - will be a period of prioritising in order to maintain focus on your goal. It is easy to say "focus", but the challenge is to turn it into action. The more effectively you do that, the greater your opportunities for success.

You set your goal for this year at the start of the year - remind yourself of it daily. Break it down into what you need from each subject - are you on target in each subject? What do you need to do in order to achieve your target in each subject? Be specific with actions such as doing past papers from the NZQA website or practise writing the introductory paragraph for an essay. Allocate time to do this training.

Olympic athletes have managers and coaches and these are the roles that parents and caregivers hold for their students. You can help your son or daughter achieve their goals by



having these conversations and keeping them focused on their targets. The school exams are in Week 7 of this term - that is one month away. School exams provide a valuable opportunity for students to see how effective their training routines are, but they will gain little if they have not done any training/study.





From the Principal Tena koutou katoa

It was very pleasing to have our Hall full of Year 8 students and their parents for our Open Evening on Tuesday night. My thanks to our staff and the Year 9 guides whose work made the evening successful.

My thanks to our International Student Department, our teachers, homestay families and student 'buddies' for hosting several overseas tour groups of students and teachers recently. We are farewelling one such group tonight from Nihon University High School in Japan.



Best wishes to our Music Department for their concert tomorrow night in the Hawkins Centre.

Today's New Zealand Herald carries a story on the website ask.fm, noting that it often carries appalling and dangerous material. We advise parents to not let their students use this site. However, if they do, advice from Netsafe (www.netsafe.org.nz) includes students preventing anonymous questions being posted by choosing "Do not allow anonymous questions" in their privacy settings, blocking an abusive user by pressing "block" next to a question from this user, and using the report function on the site to notify ask.fm of the abuse. Netsafe also note that any replies to any questions on ask. fm will be in the public domain: "Whatever you enter into the ask.fm reply box will be published and could be publicly viewable immediately upon your clicking the submit button."

Graeme Macann, Principal

Careers and Subject Selection Evening Monday 12 August 6pm – 8pm in the Hall

The following people will be available to answer questions Students and Parent/Caregivers might have about subjects, entry to courses, tertiary courses, funding etc.

- Heads of Departments and Teachers in Charge of subjects located in subject stations in the Library
- Careers Advisor located in the Hall
- Gateway Coordinator located in the Hall

• Heads of Houses, Mrs Blakely and Ms Buist - located in their offices in the Administration Corridor. They will answer questions and provide information about the curriculum structure, Year Level Requirements and National Qualifications.

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Liaison Advisor and representative from:

University of Auckland Massey University Otago University Victoria University of Wellington Waikato University **AUT University** Manukau Institute of Technology **Animation College** Whitecliffe **YooBee School of Design International Travel College** Sir George Seymour College of Travel Southseas Film and Television School MAIN7

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Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews

Parent Teacher Interviews take place next **Thursday 15 August** and the following **Monday 19 August** from 2.30 – 6pm each day. Periods 1 - 4 will be held, with school finishing at 1.40pm. Taverners Buses will depart soon after that time but the Waka Pacific buses will operate at the normal afternoon time. Waka Pacific bus students may either stay at school until 3.20pm or use public transport.

These interviews are with your child's individual subject teachers, rather than the Tutor Group teacher as in the Term 2 Student Achievement Meetings.

You are welcome to make an appointment to meet with the Tutor Group teacher as well as any of the subject teachers. See below for information on how to make these bookings:

Making Appointments Online

This is what you can do to make appointments:

- 1. Find out the names of your child/children's subject teachers
- 2. On the internet go to: www.schoolinterviews.co.nz
- 3. Enter school event code: HADC9
- Enter your full name, email address, if applicable, and student/s full name/s
- 5. Hit "Go"
- 6. Select your child's/children's subjects from the left drop-box, then the teacher from the right drop-box
- 7. More subjects/teachers will appear as and when necessary when finished hit "go"
- 8. Select the date and times you would like to have the interview/s
- 9. Please remember to leave 5 minutes between appointments so that you can get from one teacher to the next
- 10. Once you have confirmed the times by hitting the "Go" button, an email will be sent to your email address. If you do not have an email, you can either print off the times, or call the school and we can do so for you
- 11. If you require assistance to make bookings, please call the school on (09) 295 0661 extension 871 or email p.kaisser@rosehillcollege.school.nz on or after 5 August or complete the slip on the following page and we will contact you.

This is what your child should do to make appointments if you are unable to do so online:

- 1. Take the Parent Appointment Sheet to each teacher you would like to meet to make an appointment
- 2. Ask each teacher what day and times they are available
- 3. Write the Teacher's Name, Subject, Year Level and Place on the sheet next to the time allocated
- 4. Leave five minutes between appointment times to allow time for you to get from one teacher to another.

Unable to Attend

If you are unable to attend, and would like to talk to your child's teachers, please telephone the College to give your child's name, your name and telephone number and/or your email address if applicable and the teachers concerned will call back to make their comments, or send you an email.

Confirmation of appointments

Bring the appointments confirmation with you on the afternoon of the interviews. A map of where teachers are located will be available in the Hall foyer and senior student leaders will be on hand to guide you to interview places.

We hope you will take this valuable opportunity to meet with subject teachers to discuss the progress that your child is making and measures that will assist that progress.

NZQA Fees Payable Now These fees are now payable and must be paid in full by 30 August,

These fees are now payable and must be paid in full by 30 August, including if paid by AP. The fee for domestic candidates is \$76.70 and for Fee Paying students \$383.30.

Financial assistance is available to those who meet the criteria. To be eligible to apply you must be the fee-payer and meet at least one of the following criteria:

- Be receiving a Work and Income or Study Link benefit (benefitbased applications).
- Have a joint family income that would entitle you to receive a Community Services Card (income-based applications).
- Irrespective of family income, where the total fees you would have to pay would otherwise be more than the \$200 multiple candidate maximum (multiple candidate applications).

Application forms for Financial Assistance are available at the Cashier's Office or http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/assets/ncea/Applicationfor-Financial-Assistance-info.pdf

Financial Assistance forms should be returned to the Cashier's Office by 22 August.

Teacher Only Day and Mid Term Break

Friday 23 August will be a Teacher Only Day granted by the MOE for the revision of Standards Alignment for NCEA Level 3. Monday 26 August will be a Mid Term Break for all students. This will provide an opportunity for Seniors to put the time into revision for their Term 3 exams which begin on Tuesday 10 September₆

Papakura Initiative to Promote Full School Attendance

Project 'Rock On' has been set up in the Papakura District to combat the persistent problem of school truancy, an issue which leads to damage such as youth unemployment and daytime crime. Rock On is based on an inter-agency approach where schools, Police and government agencies meet monthly to discuss ways and means of engaging students who are not participating fully in the education system. School representatives from the Papakura area and other alternative education providers will meet regularly to help identify those students who have worrying attendance issues.

The law states that a child must attend school up to the age of 16 years. Historically, persistent and condoned truancy has sometimes resulted in prosecution of parents but as of this month, consistent offending by families can also affect benefit entitlements.

If families are experiencing problems that prevent full attendance by their children, please contact either your child's Head of House or call the Attendance Officer (Sandy Dean) on extension 869. The single biggest barrier to student achievement is non-attendance – *let's get our students to school!*

Together we provide an environment for personal excellence

Thanks to students for representing Rosehill College

Over the last two weeks Rosehill College made preparations for 2014 by the Principal and the Associate Principal visiting the Year 8 students who attend our Partner Schools.

Accompanying Mr Macann and Mrs Blakely were current Rosehill College Year 9 students who had attended those schools in 2012. These Year 9 students were able to give student perspectives on life at Rosehill College and give advice to the Year 8s on how to make the transition in 2014 successfully. Our thanks go to:

Brooke Gascoigne 9TPA Dilip Saini 9TKA Kaylie Mountfort 9KJS Samuel French 9KLB Carys Nolan 9KLK Pania Pique 9KIB Te Iringa Dawson 9AWT Kelly Bent 9AHN Sarah Lawson 9KRY

Matt Boulger 9TZM Dhruv Behal 9KRY Charithma Rajapaske 9KTW Jessica Young 9TKA Lizzie Catterson 9TSA Xavier Waters 9TPA Joel Ranger-James 9RSU Emma Ritchie 9APL

Year 9 Tour Guides

Our thanks to the Year 9 Tour Guides who escorted groups of parents/ caregivers and Year 8 students around the school at our Open Evening. These students gave prospective students, and their parents, their perspective of the transition from Year 8 to Year 9 and reassured them that although they are coming to a bigger school, it does not take long to find your way around and fit in.

Eden Allen 9TZM Jessica Andersen 9TNS Brianna Beets 9PSE Hannah Bertram 9ABN Ashleigh Booth 9KTE Jayme Coleman 9PWL Cheyenne Cook 9RHS Nina Duggan 9KLK Alyssa Feau 9TSN Nadine Gronous 9AJJ Liam Ireland 9TSN Thomas Kim 9RPR Carnation Leonard 9RNR Brittney Munro 9PCO Karen Ndarowa 9PBA Kaitlin Nix 9ASJ Tayla Paulin-Smith 9KSS Madeline Penewi 9PHP Pania Pique 9KIB Charithma Rajapakse 9TWE Dilip Saini 9TKA Annieke Seuren 9PCA Xavier Waters 9TPA Hayley White 9APT Madison White 9MNI Jessica Young 9TKA



South Auckland Performing Arts Association Competition

In the recent SAPACS music competitions, held on 4 August, Jacci Grace 11AJJ and Dylan Holmes 11APT played very well on their saxophones in the duet section and ended up in 2nd place. They were the youngest competitors in the duet section. Robert Moon 11KAL also entered and performed

three pieces as a soloist on violin. He won 2nd prize in this section and was nominated by the Society to perform at the PACANZ, ILT National Young Performer Awards in Invercargill on 12 October this year.

Well done to these three performers!

You will be able to watch Robert perform as a soloist, and Jacci and Dylan in a saxophone quartet as well as three bands, at the Music Showcase concert on Saturday night.







Congratulations Jacci, Dylan and Robert!

Lions Young Ambassadors Awards

Two of our Head Students, Candis Ormsby 13RPR and Matthew Patrick 13RHS, represented Rosehill College at the Lion Young Ambassadors' Awards

Dinner last Saturday in Waiuku. They were selected as finalists for this region's Young Ambassador. Both students went through an interview with the three judges earlier in the day and then had to present a five minute speech on a topic of their choice to the members at the dinner. Matthew talked about the importance of giving back



to the community and Candis talked about learning from your mistakes, that we should not let a mistake define us but instead let it redefine us. They were both a credit to Rosehill College and congratulations go to Candis for her second place award.

Farewell to Nihon University Meisei High School – Japan

Today we say goodbye to the 16 students and 3 teachers from Nihon University Meisei High School in Japan. They have all enjoyed the two week visit to New Zealand. The students have treasured their experience at Rosehill College.

Thank you to all the Rosehill College students who have been buddies. The Nihon Meisei High School students have really appreciated their very friendly and helpful Rosehill College buddies.



Dates to Remember

Monday 12 August

Careers/Subject Selection Evening 6 – 8pm

Thursday 15 August

Pasifika Assembly – Hall Period 2 Parent/Subject Teacher Interviews 2.30pm – 6pm School Closes 1.40pm BOT meeting 7pm Staffroom Committee Room

Friday 16 August

CMHCB4U Year 12 and 13 Maori Students Monday 19 August

Parent/Subject Teacher Interviews 2.30pm - 6pm School closes 1.40pm

Friday 23 August Teacher Only Day

Monday 26 August Mid Term Break



BMX

The UCI BMX World Championships were held over the holidays at the

Vector Arena in Auckland where five current students from Rosehill College were competing. The New Zealand team is made up by the eight top qualifiers from 2012 and the top eight from the current year. All the students competed well with **Maynard Peel 9TLG** coming away with two bronze medals, one in the Boys 14yrs 20" event



and the other in the 13-14 Boys 24" Cruiser class - outstanding results, well done! The team consisted of Bailey Davis 9KCY, Chelsea Davis 10KTE, Maynard Peel, and Ariel Peel 11TKN and Zeon McNabb 10KAR.

Rugby

1st XV

The game was set to be interesting to say least, seeing as Waiuku beat us in our pre-season warm-up game. From the kick off the game was fast and physical with some big solid tackles from both sides. Hawaii Ahokovi 13PDF was the first to break through the Waiuku line for a try, guickly followed by Cain Foster 12KAR. Ryan Hill 13TPI smashed his way through the line with two great hard-won tries. Waiuku had many probing attempts at our line but our defence was strong. The half time score was 28-0 to Rosehill. Waiuku obviously got a good talk at half time and came at us hard with some good passes to their back line with two good tries to their fullback, Sam Furniss. Harley Jenkins 13MWI started his hat-trick, with a near length-of-field run for his first try quickly followed by his second and third. Waiuku rallied, then fought back, with two more well-worked tries. Both our wingers ran in a try apiece - Chris Chegwin 12MHM then Nathan Linford 12PBA. The final score was 57 – 24. Stand out players this week were hard to pick, as all players stepped up and played well. Forwards would have to go to Ryan Hill 13TPI, with consistently physical tackles, strong drives and two tries. Honours amongst the Backs were shared - when Hawaii got the ball he broke through the Waiuku line on many occasions, giving and taking many hits. The other back was Harley with 3 tries and 6 conversions, 27 points, followed up with many dominating runs.

The Rosehill 1st XV Boys play Manurewa 1st XV tomorrow morning in their semi-final. Kick-off is midday at Manurewa High School. Rosehill U65kg Blue are also in the semi-finals against Waiuku tomorrow at Massey Park with a 10.30am kick off – good luck to both teams

Wrestling

New Zealand are hosting the Youth Games – Freestyle Wrestling in Hamilton on 6 and 7 December this year. This is an awesome opportunity for our current wrestlers and those that would be interested in taking up the sport. Come along to the Counties Hunua Wrestling trainings here at Rosehill College on Monday and Wednesday nights, 6-8pm, to learn and be part of this great opportunity. Any questions please contact Brenda Pyke at pykerbs@xtra.co.nz or mobile 0211791067.

Football

1st XI game verses Aorere College - this was a tough challenge as the previous game at Aorere was a 4-1 defeat.

The Rosehill boys were ready to turn the tables in this return fixture and were really looking forward to the game. They kicked off with grit and determination against a very fast opposition. Rosehill had the better goal chances in the first half with one of these ending in a good goal for Tanvir Nidzhar 12PDF. In the second half Rosehill missed two or three good chances on goal with William Fish 13RTQ making a couple of good saves to keep them in front and earn them a 1-0 win.

Well done to the boys - let's hope they can carry it on next week against the favourite rivals, Pukekohe. It was great to see a good crowd there supporting the boys so let's hope for a win next week and good support in two weeks' time back at Rosehill, verses Manurewa.

Tournament Week 2 – 6 September

All final amounts have now been charged to students involved and are due for payment on 28 August. Medical forms etc will come home via students and emails next week and we ask that these be returned by the end of next week please.

Sport Team Photos

These were taken this week thanks to Richard Spranger Photography. If you have not paid, or would still like to get a photo, payment must be at the Sports Office by Tuesday morning 13 August. The cost is \$13 for a normal laminated photo or Rugby Board Photos are \$20.

Weekly Results		
SPORT / Team	Opposition	Score
BADMINTON		
A1	Manurewa	Draw 3-3
A2	James Cook	Won 5-1
C1	Otahuhu	Lost 2-4
C2	Papakura	Lost 1-5
BASKETBALL		
Open Boys	Manurewa	Won 39-36
Open Girls	McAuley	Lost 27 - 28
U 17 Boys	Aorere	Won 41-25
U17 Girls	Howick	Lost 21-44
U15 Boys	Pakuranga A	Won 39-37
FOOTBALL		
1st XI Boys	Aorere	Won 1-0
1st XI Girls	St Marys	Lost 0-1
HOCKEY		
1st XI Boys	St Johns	Lost 1-3
1st XI Girls	Waikato 6	Lost 2-3
Boys Development	Pukekohe 3	Lost 0-8
Girls Development	Manurewa	Draw 2-2
NETBALL		
Premier	Nga Tapuware	Won 55-5
Senior A Red	Rosehill Navy	Lost 12-33
Senior A Navy	Rosehill Red	Won 33-12
Year 10 A	Bye	
Year 10 B	Papakura	Lost 8-19
Year 9 A	McAuley	Won 30-24
Year 9 B	Bye	
Year 9 C	Manurewa	Lost 22-9
RUGBY		
1st XV	Waiuku	Won 57-24
2nd XV	Manurewa	Lost 10-29
U65 Red	Onewhero	Lost 37-41
U65 Blue	Pukekohe	Won 54-5
SQUASH	Ot Outbharts	Wen 0 1
Premier Girls	St Cuthberts	Won 9 - 1

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