Principal's Welcome
A big welcome to all our new students in 2015 and welcome back to our returning students. I must begin by congratulating Year 7 on the fantastic start to their high school experience. They have settled in very well and their Year Adviser, Mr Carter, is extremely happy with the way in which everyone is mixing and forming new friendship groups. A great start. You will be able to read a following article briefly outlining our fabulous HSC results from last year, but I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the 2014 Year 12 students on a wonderful set of results. Our highest ATAR result of 99.55 was higher than some of our closest competitors which is very satisfying and reinforces the message that we all need to sing out loudly in the community: “Rose Bay Secondary College students can and do achieve outstanding academic results.”
A scan of the Wentworth Courier January 21 will allow you to make the comparison for yourselves. Whilst I am certainly not saying that that one measure defines or ranks any school it does indicate that we should be proud of our results and should never allow others to believe that we are not a school of choice.

Coming up ...

9 Feb
MEP info night

16 Feb
Honour roll ceremony

23 Feb
Swimming carnival

Homework centre
Please enjoy our first eBulletin for 2015.

HSC Results
Rose Bay Secondary College congratulates the Class of 2014 on their fine HSC results and acknowledges the work of staff and support of parents during the HSC journey. The College recorded 55 entries on the BOSTES Distinguished Achievers List, [more]

New babies for RBSC staff
Congratulations to Maria Alonzo and her husband Adam, and to Phil and Claire Horrell who have both recently become parents to baby girls. [more]

Student publishing team
An exciting opportunity exists for aspiring journalists, photographers and web-content developers to apply for a position in our Student Publishing Team! The Student Publishing Crew is open to any year 9 & 10 [more]

Have you joined the club?
The Sydney Roosters are proud to announce a new community initiative to benefit local schools. Through the new Sydney Roosters Cashback [more]

Writers day
The English Faculty and Gifted and Talented Team are excited to launch Rose Bay’s first Writers’ Day - an enrichment initiative targeting year 9 and 10 students. All selective [more]

Evie’s ICAS success
Evie Ward, who achieved first-in-state in last year’s ICAS English competition, was awarded a medal and certificate in recognition of her achievement at the University of New South Wales last November. Evie, who is now in year 8, achieved the highest honour in the Writing component [more]

Boys mentoring program
A new boys’ education initiative has been launched by the Welfare Team to support year 8 students. The Boys’ Education Mentoring program is facilitated by year 10 male students who will mentor year 8 boys who [more]

Poets picnic

Feb 9 3:30 pm
and every Mon & Wed

P&C Meeting
Feb 10 at 7pm

Duke of Ed info night
17 Feb 6pm

Sport Committee meeting
24 Feb 7pm

School Photos
25 & 26 Feb

Year 7 meet & greet
26 Feb 4pm

Y11 Biology excursion
27 Feb

Recently updated
Assessment planners
Calendar
Vaccinations
Lockers
Year 11 sport RPL
BYOD
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Sport
Sport committee

Useful links
Canteen orders
MEP website
DOE website
Sentral parent portal
DEC student portal
Student email
Edmodo
Careers news
New books in the library

Parent nights
Duke of Ed
Music Ensemble Program
Year 7 meet & greet
Sport Committee
P&C Meeting
Open Night

Share with RBSC
The annual Poets Picnic, Sydney's longest running public poetry event, is coming up on Tuesday 24 February from 5pm-8pm in Blackburn Gardens, Double Bay. [more]

Please share your child's achievements with us, we would love to share them with the community in turn! Please contact Mrs Christy Godby at christine.godby@det.nw.edu.au

Notices

Homework centre tutors
former students

Calling on ex students who would like to work at school as homework centre tutors. These paid positions are available on both Monday and Wednesday afternoons, if you are interested please contact the school.

Vaccinations
years 7, 11 & 12

Vaccination packs have been handed to students in year 7, 11 and 12. These must be returned to the school by 17th February, as they are being collected by public health [more].

Homework centre
all years

Homework Centre resumes on Monday 9 February in the library. It runs every Monday and Wednesday afternoon from 3:30 to 5:00 pm. Students can complete their homework or undertake research during this time.

P&C news
all years

The first P&C meeting for 2015 is tomorrow night, Tuesday 10 February at 7.30 in the common room. All parents are invited to attend. A particular invitation is extended to new parents who would like to find out more about what's happening at the school and perhaps participate in the P&C activities. Enter via the main entrance near the office and follow the signs.

The AGM of the P&C will be at the following meeting on 10 March, so note your diaries."
Chicken Pox
all years

There has been a case of chicken pox at the school. More information can be found at NSW Health. At this stage this has only affected one student, we will provide more information should further cases arise.

Digital literacy day
Year 7

All Year 7 will soon participate in a Digital Literacy Course. During this course teachers will introduce students to their DEC Students Portal, the RBSC Sentral Portal, best practices for digital organisation of school work, Edmodo, SKWIRK, tips for word processing and searching the internet and much more. Students will benefit most if they are using their own device which is connected to the school network. If your child has not yet connected their computing device to the school network please see Mr Cotterell in the TAS staffroom in A Block level 5. For further information please contact Ms McMurray – Deputy Principal (Years 7, 9, 11)

BYOD update
all years

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All Year 7 students who have connected their device to our wireless network have now been granted access to Office 365 and Google Apps for Education. Videos and information on how to access these services as well as free copies of Microsoft and Adobe software can be found on our BYOD page.

Join our volunteer network
all years

Rose Bay is proud to have such a talented community of parents whose expertise covers a vast range of areas and experience. On many occasions, our parents volunteer to assist us in enriching our students' learning in the classroom or by working together on our working bees to rejuvenate our school environment. There are curriculum links to be found with just about any profession and in 2014 alone, we were able to utilise the expertise of parents from a diverse range of professions and skills. Click here to read more and register your interest. We are currently creating a database of parents who may be interested in sharing their expertise with staff and students. Click here to read more or register your interest.

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BeYOUtiful
by year 10 students, Mahime Watanabe, Aurora Carter, Monica Quintana and Hanna Cernohorska