The Chess Juggernaut Rolls On

On a stormy and torrential Friday afternoon, 22nd of May to be exact, the Rose Bay Secondary College chess team was heading for a mighty challenge against competitors, The Conservatorium of Music. We rolled up at 3pm and it was game on. It was a tough contest and patience was definitely a virtue, as checkmate was achieved by 5pm. We left contented with a draw and with 2 points.

The following week we regrouped with the bye, getting ready for our next competitor Waverley College.

On the 5th June, we hosted Waverley College at our school library. We pulled together, as we planned and sent the Waverley boys back to their college defeated, winning three games to one.

Well done team. Special mention to Steven Posniak, Jonathon Delley, Adar Larsen and Jonathan David, Watch this space for more updates.

Mr Manganaro

Well Done Pia

Pia Guilliat from Year 9 has won 2nd prize in the Junior Section of the Waverley Youth Art Award. Her entry was a beautiful still life painting which she did as part of the year 9 Visual Arts course.

The judge, local artist Kim Spooner, commented on Pia’s use of composition and colour and the sensitivity of her painting style.

Her prize is $150 and a certificate.

The exhibition is worth a look and is on at the Bondi Pavilion until 14th June.

Ms Tesoriero

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This next “book” was an elderly woman who had been born and raised in the area and we heard first hand accounts from her, of what it was like back then, and just how much has changed. Being born just after the depression, her life has been affected by the full aftermath of what has taken place. Being in a large family of thirteen children, she and her siblings had been raised with little money without complaint.

Our final ‘book” has lived the last thirty years with only one leg after having it amputated. After being severely injured on his left leg in the Second World War, he shared with us stories of both surviving the war and enduring the last three decades. He referred to his injury, not as a disability, rather as being “slightly handicapped.” He said that the three main things that has got him through the years, both physically and mentally, are the help of various doctors and nurses, support from family and friends and a sense of humour, as he ventures to find the ridiculous and humorous side of all of life’s hardships. This program has helped us both to remove all stereotypes and discrimination and to have a better understanding of different individuals, allowing us to make friendships and build bridges with others. It also taught us about our history, heritage and culture and has overall helped us realize that individuality is a virtue.

Jemma

A lady called Dina spoke to us about being diagnosed with a learning disorder at an early age and the ordeal she had to go through of being bullied throughout primary school. With the help of the community and support groups she is able to now live independently.

After listening to these people I have learnt that the people who spoke to us today represent the diversity of Australia. Everyone is different. Everyone has a different culture and belief. Some people have physical and mental disabilities and everyone should be respected.

Amina
On this excursion I learnt that times were a lot tougher back then and that the history of our school is actually deeper than it seems. I also learnt that there used to be no shops in Waverley and milk came on a cart pulled by a horse called Nell.

**Arslan**

I was most fascinated by Rabbi Eli. Everyone was so interested in the information and stories he shared with us.

**Alex**

I learnt that everyone has special needs and no one is normal and we should accept that and not be judgmental. I also learnt that no matter what you believe in you should always be respected.

**Samantha**

I think I have learnt that most of the things we take for granted nowadays would have been a complete treasure back in those days.

**Gregory**

Thanks to this experience we now know a lot more about what it’s like living under many different circumstances.

**Deborah**

He said that the most important lesson for anyone is to learn to adjust. Adjust to the development of the area and the people around you.

**James**

I have learnt what discrimination means and how it feels to be discriminated against. Many people are ignored and teased because of their religion, background and even their disability.

**Joanne**

I learnt that if something in your life changes you should learn to adapt.

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On Thursday 19th and Friday 20th of February the library held a Gelato Day Fundraiser. The event was a great success thanks to the students, staff and parents of RBSC. It was hard to resist having an ice cream cone or two with 13 flavours on offer! We had a wonderful team of helpers who scooped away over two days. We could not have held the event without them! Thankyou, Wendy Chen, Yeo-Jin Cheong, Ziyun Huang, Adar Larsen, Ofir Larsen, Nina Perkins, Natasha Bliss and Sasha Feygelson. I would like to express my gratitude to my dedicated library assistants, Karen Freeman and Wendy DeGraaf who made it all happen. Wendy gave up her free time coming in on a day off and recruiting her daughter, Alice, to support our efforts. I am proud to have assistants who are always working with me towards the common goal of improving library services for students, ensuring they meet their needs and that the library is a safe and inviting learning environment. Funds raised have gone into improving the copying and printing facilities in the library.

As part of our efforts to improve the digital resources available to students, the library has funded subscriptions to Britannica Online School Edition and Fairfax Digital Editions. Fairfax Digital Editions delivers an identical replica of The Age and SMH printed editions. It contains every page, article, photo, table, advertisement and cartoon published in the printed editions. The content is delivered via a standard web browser and can be searched and read in image or text view. In the next few weeks students will be given school access and remote access to Britannica. More information on access will be included in the next bulletin.

The library is excited to be collaborating with the English faculty this year to engage more Yr 7-9 students in the NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge. Classes will be invited into the library to peruse the reading lists and titles on display. They will be assisted to register online if they wish to participate and Ms Devlin and I will periodically validate their reading logs. As research shows (Krashen 1993) a rich print environment leads to improved literacy development, however; a rich print environment helps only when more reading is done. We hope parents and caregivers can encourage students to read widely and regularly. Together, we can ensure students continue to challenge themselves academically. For more information on the challenge see https://products.schools.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html

The library has purchased a significant number of resources for the new English 2009-2012 prescribed area of study and electives. Many of the titles for the Area of Study “Belonging” and the extension English topics have been placed in a closed reserve location (at the service desk) for heavy demand items. They are currently available as a 3 day loan to ensure equitable access. Please remind your children that they are wonderful resources for revision and exam preparation and can also be accessed during their study periods. Ms Efthimiou

V-Fest Poster Competition 2009

V-fest is our student video festival which Rose Bay Secondary College organises and hosts every year. The first step is the poster, which is commercially printed and then distributed to approximately 100 public and private schools in the Greater Metropolitan area. All the students are invited to enter and this year saw an amazing amount of entries.

The design voted most popular by the Creative Arts Department was Zac Cherry’s wonderful Lego inspired image. Zac received a $50 prize... See below. Some other entries are on the next page.

Stay tuned for more V-Fest information in coming bulletins.

Thank you
Deb Cave
(V-Fest Co-ordinator and Art/Video Teacher)
Dear Parents and carers,

On the evening of **Tuesday 29th September 2009**, Rose Bay Secondary College will proudly host their 11th annual inter-school student Video Festival. This will be screened at the Chauvel Cinema in Paddington. V-Fest is a non-profit student video festival, celebrating the phenomenal talent in the medium of video making. It was originally conceived in 1999 as a showcase for senior high school students whose work was only ever viewed by their class and parents. Since then it has taken off with last year’s competition attracting over 25 video entries from a number of public and private high schools across the metropolitan area.

We hope that you can be involved in what promises to be our biggest V-Fest ever!

**WE NEED YOUR ASSISTANCE!**

You can support us by providing gifts and/or cash which will be used as prizes for the students.

If you have a business, please include a business card and we will acknowledge your support in the programme.

Please complete the form below and return to:
Rose Bay Secondary College
34a Hardy Street, Dover Heights 2030

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**YES** I would like to support the ‘**V-FEST**’ 2009 Video Festival.

Enclosed is $____________ and a business card for inclusion in the programme

I am able to provide the following prize(s) _______________________________

Name: ______________________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________________

Phone: ___________________          Fax: _______________

**NB:** All cheques made payable to **Rose Bay Secondary College**

For further information please contact
Deborah Cave (Video Teacher) on 9301-0300.
Year 7 students had a great time at their first high school camp at Morisett. The camp staff has commented about how well behaved and enthusiastic the Rose Bay students were. I would like to congratulate the students and thank the staff who organised and accompanied the students: Ms Fetherston, Ms Horvath, Mr Portada, Mr Flack, Ms Broit, Ms Cleary, Mr Tari (Student Teacher) and Mrs Urquhart, a parent.

Thanks to parents and students who turned up for the working bee held on Sunday 31st April. A lot of clearing was done in the gardens. Many thanks go to Julie Hopkins for supplying her expertise and coordination. Mr Pickering and Mr Clarke should also be thanked for giving up their time to help.

The Rose Bay community members have celebrated three of our own in winning Sydney Region awards: Keith Rowe, our general assistant for his support of students in his role as a school support staff member. Corey Smith, our school captain, received the award for outstanding Aboriginal student in the region. Our police youth liaison office, Snr Const Pam Hulusi, also received an award for her service to public schools and students.

On Tuesday night 9 June we held our subject selection market for students moving from years 9, 10 and 11 next year. This was well attended by students and parents. They were provided with essential information about choices of subject for the School Certificate and the Higher School Certificate. Kim Owens from the Board of Studies spoke about the rules and also gave useful tips for making wise subject choices.

P&C meetings are held in the college staff common room at 7:30PM on the first Tuesday of each month. Parents should attend these meetings. P&C meetings are one way that you can participate in the life of the College. At P&C meetings you will: receive up-to-date information about what is happening in the College; meet other parents who, like yourself are supporting adolescent children through the high-school years and have the opportunity to contribute to the college.

Jim Linton
Principal

Sydney Region awards winners. Keith Rowe and Corey Smith
Easter Suburbs Careers Expo June 2
New School Bus Service 659

replacing 359
From Eastgardens to Bondi Jn

See State Transit Website for details
Some students in year 10 may not know yet what they want to do when they finish high school, whereas some may have a long-standing ambition. I believe that for many people work experience will be the point when we confirm whether or not our desired profession is for us, if we can cope with the hours, deal with the stress of deadlines or meet physical demands. Work experience is a sort of ‘taste’ of what working in a certain profession is like.

My personal ambition is to study medicine and become a specialized doctor. I have been exposed to the practice and to some of the procedures any doctor would need to know before learning medicine. I was lucky to spend time in different areas of the hospital and sit in case study meetings.

Christina and I moved around to different wards and clinics to observe the various medical areas. We saw the gastro out patient clinic, adolescent respiratory ward and pediatric neurology ward. Separate from myself Christina spent time in the radiology department, as she wishes to be a radiographer, while I stayed with team A of general pediatrics.

On our last day at the hospital we had a meeting with Dr Brydon, who informed us, much to our surprise, that many of the skills required to be a doctor are actually learnt before even entering university. By this he meant that certain people skills and communication skills are required to be in the profession and these skills are not obtained from books, reports and lectures, rather developed through communicating with different people in society and being aware of different people’s situations, may it be financial, physical, cultural or mental.

From our week at Randwick Children’s hospital we have observed and felt what it is like to work as a doctor, and we have also learnt how important it is to be open to understand and be able to communicate to people of all different social standings.

Many thanks Mr. Bollard for arranging the work experience for us. Also thanks to Lani Hay, Dr Brydon, Chris and Joanna (Team A), Dr Lee (Gastro), Virginia (respiratory), Gabi (neurology) and the many other doctors who gave up their time to teach us more about the medical profession.

Ofir Larsen
Year 10
Guys and Dolls

Guys and Dolls is a Broadway musical that has travelled to Melbourne and is showing in the Capitol theatre in Sydney today! Staring Lisa McCune, Marina Prior, Ian Stenlake, Garry McDonald, Magda Szubanski and Shane Jacobson, it is a breathtaking musical. Guys and Dolls is a musical based around love and gambling.

My work experience at Guys and Dolls was amazing. The actors really influenced me and encouraged me to take up musical theatre/acting as a career. All cast and crew welcomed me to their team and were extremely nice and out going people. The Guys and Dolls crew showed me around and let me try out different aspects of their show. During the duration of my work experience I got to the watch the show, was able to participate in the lighting and sound, was able to participate in all back stage factors such as props, backstage movement (moving props), costume crossovers, watch the cues be called to lighting, conductor and the cast, was able to pull the sets on and off stage by hand and also got to experience being in the orchestra for a whole performance!

Thank you all cast and crew

Thank You Mr. Bollard and Mrs Fetherston for helping the organization of this.

Rodney Plashchik

First Capital Financial Planning

Spending a week at First Capital Financial Planning was a great experience. The small business is a financial planning company that looks after teachers in NSW. The business provides teachers with all aspects of financial advice, including salary packaging, investments, superannuation and insurance.

During the week at First Capital, I was able to obtain a better understanding of what certain jobs involve, including financial planners, para-planners and administration roles. The people who work for First Capital are very professional, knowledgeable and helpful. The experience was very eye-opening, as I realised just how complex and involving the business is.

By the end of the week, I gained a broader understanding of various aspects concerning the financial planning industry. For someone who is interested in mathematics and finance, the economy or in business, I would highly recommend doing work experience at a financial planning firm. There is a lot to learn from such an experience!

Tanya Mazur
Year 11
Bondi Junction Vet Hospital

From the 25th to the 29th of May, I was working at the Bondi Junction Vet Hospital. It was an fantastic experience; the people I met were amazing and had so much charisma. Seeing what it was like to work there made me realise just how much I would love to become a veterinary nurse.

I got to see lots of surgeries and see how they care for the animals. The vets and vet nurses were always ready to help me if I didn’t know what to do and they would tell me exactly what they were doing while operating.

I know a lot more about animals now than I did before and this experience has been memorable. I’m really happy I did this and I would definitely recommend it to anyone who loves animals and wants to experience the joy of working with them.

*Saskia Mann* Year 9

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TV Week

During May 25th to the 30th, I went to ACP Magazines for a week of work experience. I worked at TV Week Magazine. At first, I was unsure if I’d fit in with all the professionals at in the magazine business, but not long after I felt welcomed and included.

I started the day with an intern who’d been there for a good amount of time. She showed me around and explained to me the sort of things that I would do for the week. During my work experience hours, I had to do tasks like organizing files, returning letters and different things to the people who sent it in for the magazine, writing reports on magazines, writing letters of appreciation, putting together gift bags, doing reception work and even attending a photo shoot.

The most exciting part for me was being in the atmosphere of a magazine, which incorporates so many different factors. Each part of the office has its different roles and jobs within the magazine, and I learnt through this experience of how much work it is to actually produce a magazine around 100 pages long.

Overall, this week was an incredible and unforgettable experience. I’ve learnt and experienced so much in such a short amount of time and had so much fun, even meeting a few celebrities on the way!!!!

*Pamela Wu*
Health Careers Expo at Sydney Children’s Hospital

Mini tours of the hospital for year 10 and 11 students – physiotherapy clinic/ward

Upon arrival at Randwick Children’s hospital students, including myself, were faced with a difficult decision, selecting a mini tour. For about 45 minutes each students got to be shown around the various areas of the hospital. These areas were, physiotherapy, medical imaging and orthopedics. The physiotherapy included a number of things such as:

• Casts
• Gym
• Baby gym
• Hydrotherapy
• Balance test
• Sit up and push up test

Thanks again to Mr. Bollard who has arranged for a number of students from year 10 and 11 who were interested in the different areas of work in the hospital.

Ofir Larsen

Taronga Zoo’s Meet-A-Keeper
Wednesday September 16
Limited Places
Years 9-11

This is a chance to spend a day at the zoo, meet some of the carers there and even meet some of the animals.

See Mr Bollard if interested

Career Voyage 2009

Career Voyage is a computer based career guidance program designed for both young people and adults. It looks at a student’s likes and dislikes and develops for each student a report which includes career interest groups that may suit the student and a list of 40 job suggestions.

The program is widely used in universities, TAFE colleges and some other schools.

It is particularly useful for students who may have few ideas about their future. It also may suggest jobs not previously considered and may also help students choose subjects for Years 11 and 12.

Students should make an appointment with Mr Bollard to do Career Voyage. It takes about 40 minutes to complete.

Tax File Numbers

The college can assist students apply for tax file numbers.

Forms are available from Mr Bollard. From this year students, who were born in Australia, must supply details from their birth certificates. Overseas born students must supply passport or Australian citizenship details.

Application forms will not be accepted without these details. They must be completed in black.
Apprenticeship & Employment Day  
Monday June 22 Australian Technology Park 

This is a chance to find out about apprenticeships and employment in many areas.

I would like my son/ daughter to take part in the Apprenticeship and Employment excursion on June 22.

Name of Student:____________________________

Signature of parent/ carer:______________________________

To attend please return this slip to Mr Bollard

Bus leaves end of recess
Students will travel back to Bondi Jn by train
Cost $2 bus
Hospitality Industry Day

MEGT Invites Year 10 – 12 students; their parents and careers advisors to experience a range of career opportunities within the hospitality industry during the MEGT Hospitality Industry Day.

To be held on: Friday the 20th of November 2009 at MEGT Institute, East Sydney.

On the day you will:
- Take part in coffee making and Mock-tail making
- Experience bar flaring demonstrations
- Visit a well-known hotel
- Talk to industry experts, from chefs to Hotel Managers.
- Learn about pathways within hospitality and university articulation
- Learn about international opportunities within the Hospitality Industry
- Case studies of MEGT graduates and other Hospitality case studies
- Interview and resume tips to secure work in hospitality
- Learn how we assist you to find casual hospitality work whilst you study
- Participate in hands-on hospitality workshops

About MEGT
MEGT is a not-for-profit training provider that has been training since 1982 with many partnerships and a wide range of vocational courses and apprenticeships and traineeships on offer, as well as university articulation.

Health Psychology Unit
Royal North Shore Hospital
Ground Floor, 174 Pacific Hwy
St Leonards
Ph: 02 9514 4077

Managing HSC Stress Program

This is a 4-week program for students who are currently completing year 11 and year 12.

The program aims to assist students to better manage the stress of the HSC and teaches a broad range of skills that can be helpful in any stressful situation. It can also be useful for students who are struggling with anxiety, low self-esteem or low mood.

The next program will be run in Term 3 2009 starting on Monday 31 August. Sessions will run from 4pm – 5.30pm.

The Managing HSC Stress Program is run free of charge however bookings are required.

For more information or to book a place in this program, please call 9514 4077. All services are confidential.
You are invited to

“Pathways to Your Future”

SCHOOL LEAVER EXPO 2009

Is your son, daughter or student with a disability in years 9 – 12 and you are planning for post school?

Come along with your son or daughter to meet and greet service providers for post school opportunities. Research the appropriate service which may be available after the completion of high school.

Wednesday 5th August, 2009
Visit anytime between 3pm and 6pm
Sydney Secondary College, Balmain Campus, Support Unit,

Enter Via Bayville Street, Rozelle. (off Terry Street)
(parking available in Teachers’ Carpark)
Wheelchair accessible parking and access at entry further down Bayville Street, past teachers’ carpark

This expo is free

Disability Employment Agencies (Open Employment and Supported Employment), Transition to Work (TTW) and Community Participation (CP) service providers, TAFE and Centrelink will be available for you to talk with and make appointments for future meetings.

Service Providers from the eastern suburbs, city, inner west and surrounding areas will be attending this EXPO. It will give parents, carers and teachers the opportunity to learn about possible available options post school.

For Further information contact:
Department of Education, Sydney Region Support Teachers Transition:
Jennifer Dash 9555-4152 or Sue Tomasetti 9300 9579
Catholic Education: Transition Officer: Fran McBride 0408 258 469
Network Schools
A Day at UNSW

Wed July 1
10 am-2 pm
This day is designed to give Year 11 students a taste of university life, a number of UNSW faculties will be offering activities.

See Mr Bollard if you would like to attend

Network Schools
Human Rights Round-Table

Faculty of Law Wed July 1
UNIVERSITY OF NSW
9.30-12.30 Law Theatre G4, Law Building

UNSW Faculty of Law is committed to Human Rights and Social Justice. Against the background of the national consultation on how best to protect human rights in Australia, UNSW Faculty of Law will host this event.

This event will bring together human rights experts, practitioners, advocates and students to explore how human rights impact on our daily lives.

As Australia decides how to address big questions of national human rights protection, it is hoped that the “Round-Table” will inspire our future leaders to engage in this vital and thought-provoking area of law.

See Mr Bollard
Scholarships at UNSW

Co-op Program Scholarships

Business
Accounting
Actuarial Studies
Business Information Technology
Finance
Information Systems & Management
Marketing

Science
Material Science & Engineering

Built Environment
Architecture
Construction Management & Property

Engineering
Chemical Engineering
Civil Engineering
Computer Science
Electrical Engineering
Industrial Chemistry
 Mechanical Engineering
Mining Engineering
Petroleum Engineering
Photovoltaics & Solar Energy
Software Engineering
Surveying & Spatial Information Systems
Telecommunications

Open: July 2008

Close Wednesday September 30 2008

More information and to apply:
www.co-op.unsw.edu.au

Other UNSW Scholarships
Scientia Scholarships
Academic Achievement Awards
Cross Faculty Scholarships
Faculty Scholarships
Indigenous, disability, international and sports Scholarships
Equity Scholarships

For more information:
www.scholarships.unsw.edu.au
ALL girls JAZZ/HIP HOP/CONTEMPORARY classes (4 - 18 years)

ALL boys HIP HOP foundations- BBOYING/BREAKDANCE (8 - 18 years)

ADULT dance workshops- JAZZ/LYRICAL/CONTEMPORARY/TAP/BELLY DANCING
HIP HOP/FREESTYLE/POPPING/BBOYING/BGIRLING/KRUMP/AFRICAN-DANCE

Venue: Bondi Scout Hall Wairoa Ave (cnr Hastings Pde)

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