

Randwick Boys' High School

Guiding Young Men to Success

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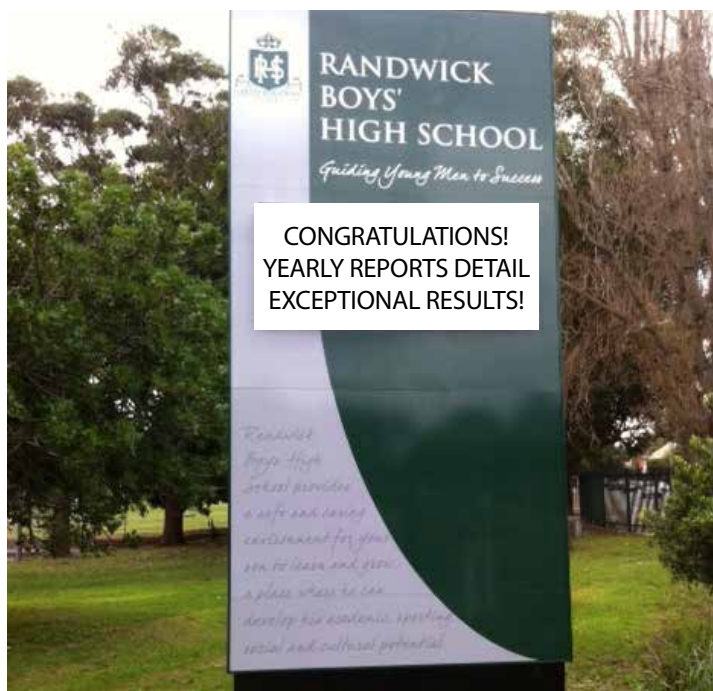
01 December 2017

White Ribbon Day Assembly



International Day of People with Disability





From the Principal

Year 6 Orientation Day

Tuesday 5th December will see over 120 Year 6 students from various Primary Schools visit their new High School. We are proud to welcome so many quality students and look forward to educating them and watching their personal development over the coming 6 years. Ms Betros, our transition coordinator and Ms Wallis, our Year 7 (2018) Advisor, have done an amazing job coordinating the visit. Our outstanding students are also assisting in welcoming and teaching our latest cohort about the learning and opportunities that are available at Randwick Boys' High School.



Excursions

There are still many learning opportunities and rewards for high achievement being organised by staff and faculties before the end of year. All Year 7 students are off to Randwick Ritz for a film study, the winning 'house' for 2017 will enjoy a day at Jamberoo Fun Park for their efforts in the classroom as well as at the Swimming and Athletics carnivals and many other faculties have organised events to assist the learning that takes place in the classroom.



Reports

All Yearly Reports are being finalised and will be issued next week. Your son should bring his report home and discuss his progress with you. I mentioned at the last P & C meeting that Report writing season is a joy. It really is! It is an opportunity to read about the successes, celebrate achievement and direct all students with advice concerning improvements. Staff at Randwick Boys' have done a fantastic job marking, collating, assessing and commenting on your son and his progress. I would like to thank them for their efforts. As for our wonderful students, congratulations to most of you. You have performed very well and deserve the accolades coming your way.



Presentation Day

Our annual presentation day will be held on Tuesday 12th December at 10am. This will be a time to celebrate your son's achievements. If your son is receiving an award, you should shortly receive a letter inviting you to presentation day. We truly look forward to this event and celebrating the exceptional students that we are lucky enough to educate at Randwick Boys' High School. Guest speaker will be Adry Awan, ex-RBHS school captain.



Sports Presentation Day



Sports Presentation Day will be held on Monday 11th December from 11.15am. This is the second year that we have held a sports presentation and that is due to the fact that sport is such an integral and rich part of our school and history. Again, if your son is receiving an award, a letter will arrive shortly inviting you to join us on the day. Guest speaker will be Sydney Swans current assistant coach, ex-player and captain, Brett Kirk.

L Raskall
Principal

COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 4

Week 9	Week A/Events
Monday 04 December	Homework Centre, Library, 3:30 - 5pm
Tuesday 05 December	Year 6 Orientation Day Excursion: Year 7, Ritz Cinema, p1-3
Thursday 07 December	Excursion Jamberoo Homework Centre, Library, 3:30 - 5pm
Friday 08 December	Excursion: Year 10 Electronics & Graphics, UNSW, 8:50am Excursion: Year 11/12 Sport, Lifestyle & Recreation - Rockclimbing, lunch-time

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Procedures for students transferring to a new High School

Prior to leaving and transferring to a new high school:

Parents:

- Notify in writing or by email that the student is leaving RBHS. State the student's name, academic year, date of leaving and name of their new high school.
- Pay for elective subjects and school contribution.

Student:

- Officially clear from our school by signing out from his class and complete a clearance form.
- Return all RBHS text books and library books (payment is due if books are not returned).

Admin



Early Leavers from School

From time to time, students are required by their parents to leave school early.

On all occasions, we require written authorisation from parents to be able to approve this. This is especially important on sport afternoons (Wednesdays), when large numbers of students are off site at different venues.

Students should bring their parental letters to the Deputy and they will be signed. Letters are then taken to the rolls office where the early leave is logged on our system.

Administration

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Fencing champion

Conrad Beirne (Year 8) competed in the fencing Friendship Cup and Koala Cup against Singapore, Malaysia, Japan and New Caledonia in Sydney last week. He competed in the U13 boys epee individual and team events.



Conrad came first in the National Koala Cup, and fifth in the International Friendship Cup. In the teams they came third internationally.

Later this month Conrad goes to the AIS in Canberra for an intensive summer training camp.

Congratulations Conrad, and good luck with the training camp.

N Frougas
Acting Deputy Principal



International Day of People with a Disability 2017

The International Day of People with a Disability was proclaimed by the United Nations General Assembly in 1992 to be December 3 each year. The 2017 theme is "Transformation towards sustainable & resilient Society for all". The principle of this theme is to 'leave no one behind' and empower people with disability to be active contributors of society.



A disability is any condition that restricts a person's intellectual, mental, sensory or mobility functions. It may be caused by accident, trauma, genetics or disease & may be temporary or permanent, total or partial, lifelong or acquired, visible or invisible. In Australia over 4 million people, about 1 in 5, have some form of disability e.g. physical disability, hearing loss, vision impairment, autism, intellectual disability, dyslexia, depression or anxiety.

Following are extracts of students' IDPwD speeches presented at Wednesday's school assembly to raise awareness of disability.

Mr G Burke
Learning & Support Teacher

Haemophilia - Jayden Huynh

Haemophilia is a rare and incurable blood disorder that prevents the blood from clotting properly. The lack of factor clotting proteins can only be treated with intravenous infusions of factor clotting agents. Despite its rarity, being that it only affects around 2,700 Australians, Haemophilia can be a serious condition with different levels of severity. As the blood cannot clot as normal, the risk of bleeding is increased, and injuries can be more serious.



Bumping a table, scraping your knee or falling over, can cause not only external bleeding, but internal too. Cuts, bruises, joint bleeds, even bleeding in crucial organs can be a risk with Haemophilia. To resolve, these 'bleeds' take time even with treatment.

So how does Haemophilia affect my everyday life? Being that I have a large risk of bleeding, I have to be careful about everything I do. Reducing harsh physical activity, avoiding long distance walking, and avoiding crowded areas or places which falling over is a risk, are some of the things I do every day. Even so, my condition can be so severe I can be doing nothing harsh on my body but still have a bleed. This is why I am in a wheelchair some days, as I probably have had a bleed in my ankles.



Cerebral Palsy - Adam Cook



Cerebral Palsy is a physical disability that affects movement and posture because of damage to the developing brain. There is no single cause of Cerebral Palsy. For babies born with the disability the cause remains unknown, however, researchers know that a very small percentage of cases of Cerebral Palsy are due to complications at birth. In 13 out of 14 cases of Cerebral Palsy in Australia, the brain injury leading to Cerebral Palsy occurs while the mother is pregnant or before 1 month of age.

Some risk factors for Cerebral Palsy include premature birth, low birth weight, blood-clotting problems, blood type incompatibility between mother and baby, bacterial infection of the mother, foetus or baby that directly or indirectly attacks the infant's central nervous system, and loss of oxygen during the pregnancy or birthing process.



1 in 500 Australian babies are diagnosed with Cerebral Palsy, 1 in 2 have an intellectual impairment, 1 in 3 cannot walk, 1 in 4 have a behaviour disorder and 1 in 4 cannot talk. Globally approximately 17 million people have Cerebral Palsy.

Autism - Warren Song

Autism is a lifelong condition that causes difficulties for people in social interaction and communication. The way Autism affects people is that it makes them have repetitive and restricted interests, activities and behaviours. People on the Autistic Spectrum may exhibit unusual behaviour due to difficulties with responding to their social environment. Their responses are an attempt to communicate their feelings or cope with a situation. Hence behaviour problems can occur due to their heightened sensitivity to a sound or something they have seen or felt. To minimise this issue people with Autism often stick to routines and spend time in repetitive behaviours to reduce uncertainty and maintain predictability of their environment.

People with Autism have difficulty in establishing relationships with strangers as they do not respond to many of the non-verbal forms of communication such as eye contact, facial expressions, physical gestures and other body language. This is justified by their misunderstanding of their needs and those of others. As a result they often do not share interests and activities with other people which may make them appear distant and aloof.

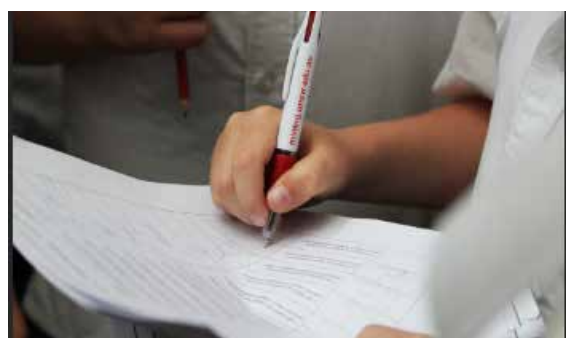


Autism can make social interaction and communication difficult in one way or another. Some speak fluently while others have impaired speech to varying degrees or cannot speak at all. People with Autism may use language in a very limited or an unusual way. Symptoms include repeating phrases or words back to you or repeatedly asking the same questions. Often people with Autism may talk frequently about their special interest topics that can make two-way communication with others and relationship building difficult.





White Ribbon Day Assembly





Year 7 History Day



AROUND THE GROUNDS

Summer sport 2017/18 - Round 12

SPORT	OPPONENT	SCORE	
		RBHS	Other
Basketball 1s	Asquith	112	22
Basketball 2s	Asquith	41	42
Basketball 15s	Asquith	35	18
Basketball 14s	BYE		
Cricket 2	Homebush	10/62	8/109
Cricket 15	Asquith	4/75	0/78
Futsal 1s	Asquith	4	2
Futsal 2s	Asquith	0	10
Futsal 15 As	Asquith	2	10
Futsal 15 Bs	Asquith	7	0
Oz tag 1s (2 nd grade)	Ashfield	11	6
Oztag 15 As	Ashfield	10	5
Oztag 15 Bs	Ashfield	5	3
Tennis 2 nd Grade	North Sydney	4	4
Tennis 14s	North Sydney	0	6
Volleyball 1s	Asquith	2	1
Volleyball 2s	Asquith	1	2
Volleyball 15s	Asquith	2	0
Volleyball 14s	Epping	2	0
Water polo 1	North Sydney	14	1
Water polo 15s	North Sydney	1	8



Wicks wind back the clock

An incredible turnout, a combination of current students, recent HSC completers and Randwick Pegasus Old Boys organised a football exhibition match against Eastern Suburb rivals Marcellin College. Whispers along corridors built up some hype about the game, social media played its role in propelling momentum of what it meant to be part of the school. An old boy quoting, "Randwick isn't just a school, but a way of life. Green & White till I die"; fuelling a fair amount of emotions and expectations in representing the school once more.

The audience certainly did not leave disappointed by a high quality match and intense performance from both schools, with scores locked at 1-1 at full time. The Wicks managed to come away victors in the penalty shootout scenario, commiserations to Marcellin who were gracious in defeat.



Sand, sun & touch footy fun!

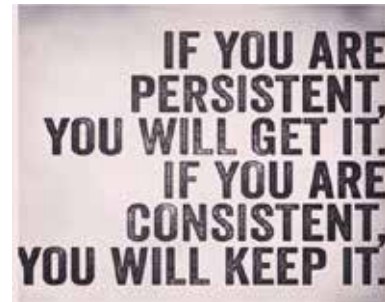


A contingent of RBHS footy enthusiasts participated in a fun fuelled day, competing in the NSW Beach Touch tournament held at Maroubra Beach. A new experience for many of our boys having to adjust to the modified rules involved in fast-paced 4v3 action.

A special thank you to Mr Harris and Mr Hourani for coaching our boys, keeping them regularly sun screened and hydrated throughout the event. Our best results on the day were one of the junior teams and senior team progressing through to the semi-final stages of the competition.



SPORTS QUOTE OF THE WEEK



P Noreika
Sport Coordinator

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2018 Book Packs



Available now for purchase
at the administration office for \$40

This is the '**no excuses book pack**'
Includes teacher approved Year 7 and 8
all exercise book requirements, easy clear slip
on book protectors and a handful of new
stationery items to start fresh in 2018
with no excuses

* also serves as **BASIC Year 9 - 12 book pack**, students may need to
purchase extra items according to their individual electives.

P&C Book Pack Contact
Adriana Skleparis
0433544449

A glimpse from the past - pages 5-6 Handbook 1966

FEES

The school, as distinct from the P. & C. and other bodies, spends some thousands of pounds each year, mostly on essential equipment not provided by the Education Department, including all text-books and sporting equipment. This money is provided by the School Union, of which all pupils are members.

First and Second Forms	£4 0 0	\$8.00
Third Form	£5 5 0	\$10.50
Fourth Form	£7 10 0	\$15.00
Fifth and Sixth Forms	£10 0 0	\$20.00

These charges cover such items as issue of text-books, purchase of library books and periodicals, purchase and issue of sporting equipment, issue of school spelling book and diary, issue of the school magazine (*Pegasus*), postage of reports on pupils' progress, and the issue from time to time of printed matter, e.g., notes, etc.

Additional charges are levied separately as applicable for hire of football jumpers and for art materials.

Where there are two or more pupils in one family at the school, a reduction of fees amounting to £1 (\$2) will be made for the second and subsequent pupils. Please make cheques payable to "Randwick High School Union". Fees are to be paid by the end of the second week of the first term.

SCHOOL DIARY

A School Diary is issued to each pupil annually. Pupils are required to have these diaries constantly at hand. Parents are asked to supervise the use of the Diary as a record of homework set and of work done, and also to see that the suggestions for study are duly noted.

TEXT-BOOKS

Text-books are issued on loan to the pupil, who is required to take all possible care of them and to return them on request. Loss, or damage beyond reasonable wear and tear, must be paid for.

EQUIPMENT

Each subject-master will sell his pupils what exercise books will be needed for his own subject. The following special requirements (to be provided by the pupil) should be noted:

Physical Education — White singlet, white shorts, towel (the gymnasium is provided with hot showers). Optional: white sunshoes and socks.

Manual Arts — Each pupil taking Craft or any Manual Arts subject should be provided with a white apron, clearly marked across the front with his name and class.

TRANSPORT

Special buses run between the school and the following centres:

North Bondi (668)	1 bus	Double Bay (658)	1 bus
North Bondi (671)	1 bus	Kingsford (656)	1 bus
Bondi Junction (614)	2 buses	Rose Bay (656)	1 bus
Dover Heights (669)	1 bus	Pagewood (658)	1 bus
Bronte (678)	1 bus	Clovelly (659)	1 bus

The school attaches great importance to the maintenance of its reputation by pupils travelling in school uniform on public or special transport. Concession passes are held subject to good conduct. School transport officers are appointed to each bus with instructions to report misbehaviour of any kind.

Loading of Buses after School

Boys waiting to board buses fall in in columns inside the school grounds and march out in single file to board the bus under the direction of their teacher and their bus transport officer.

For all travel passes and other transport concessions, application should be made to the School Secretaries in the Administration Block.

SPELLING — INSTRUCTIONS TO PUPILS

The systematic teaching of spelling is a normal aspect of the school curriculum, and all pupils are expected to maintain a favourable attitude and a sense of responsibility to this subject.

Scope — General or basic word lists, outlined by the Education Department, are set for all pupils. Also, special lists for each subject, words associated with the development of vocabulary, and words which are troublesome to each individual pupil are to be studied.

Examinations — Frequent tests in spelling will be held in all subjects during the school year. At the Yearly and Half-yearly examinations spelling will be counted as a half-subject for general results and place in class, following a special set test. Spelling will also count in assessing the marks in each individual subject. *Spelling Notebooks* — It is compulsory for each pupil to have a special spelling notebook, which is issued to him, and which must be brought to school each day and be in constant use. (Spelling cannot be dissociated from meaning; it is therefore also necessary to have a suitable dictionary at school each day.)

Notebooks are to be covered with transparent plastic and should reflect the pupil's best effort. Care, correctness and neatness in the compiling of notebooks are of supreme importance.

Setting out of Notebooks — For uniformity, books should be set out as follows: Index on first page (a cut-out index is necessary throughout the book).

Subjects (as applicable)	12 pages (not leaves)
English	6 each (if taken)
Hist./Geog./Maths/Sci.	4
French/Lat./Ger./Comm.	2
Tech. Draw./W.W./N.W.	4
Music	4
Phys. Education	2
Individual problem words	4
Place Library words in appropriate subject lists	

SPECIAL FACILITIES

Library — Membership of the R. J. Heffron Library of some 6,000 volumes, with its spacious and well-appointed reading-room, is open to all pupils. Apart from the value of the library as a source of study material and well-chosen general reading matter, each pupil receives as part of his course training in the proper use of libraries, and is required, in particular, to treat library books with the most meticulous care. Damage to library books is viewed seriously and must be made good.

Each class up to the School Certificate is allotted a weekly library period, and the use of the library plays an important part in the Form V and Form VI courses. The library is open during the lunch hour and each pupil is entitled to borrow three books per week. Prompt return of books is required.

A wide range of magazines and pamphlets (including Current Affairs Bulletins and careers pamphlets) are regularly received. A file of newspaper cuttings is kept, and many pictures of historical and general interest are available for inspection on application to the Librarian.

Vocational Centre — This centre, sponsored by the Randwick Rotary Club, provides a wealth of information, interestingly arranged, on the choice of a career. *Banking* — There is a savings bank service operated in conjunction with the Commonwealth Savings Bank one day per week.

Canteen — There is a canteen on the premises at which pupils may buy their lunches and refreshments without leaving the grounds. Provision is made for the bringing of previously ordered lunches to the classrooms in order to minimise congestion at the canteen.

Lockers — Metal lockers are provided in the corridors for the storage of pupils' books when not required in class or at home. Pupils should provide padlocks for their lockers, but in any case the school cannot accept responsibility for property left in lockers, and it is not advisable to leave anything of value in them.