Annual Presentation Day  

Year 6 Orientation Day

Sport Presentation Day

Year 6 Parent Information Evening
From the Principal

Reports

Yearly reports were issued to all students last Friday. Your son should have brought home his report and discussed his progress, achievements and areas needing attention. If your son has not collected his report, they will be mailed home. I had the pleasure of looking over every report for every student in our school and I must say that the majority of reports were very impressive. I am looking forward to the outstanding results continue and some impressive HSC and ATAR’S in the years ahead!

Presentation Day

Our sixty-ninth annual presentation day took place on Tuesday this week. This was an exceptional event which showcased the amazing academic achievements of our students at Randwick Boys’ High School. I would like to acknowledge and congratulate all award winners for their dedication and commitment to their learning. A special thank you to the overwhelming number of parents and carers who attended to show support to their son’s and our students. We are extremely grateful for the support and care you show our students and school. Thank you all for taking time away from your busy schedules to join us in celebrating the wonderful students we have in our care.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the English Faculty who coordinated the 2017 Presentation Day.

A special thank you to Emma Payne, Head Teacher English, for her outstanding leadership of the event.

Sports Presentation Day

Sports Presentation day was a fantastic event and showcased the amazing athletes that we have in our school. All students who received awards should be extremely proud of their achievements, especially our three ‘Blues’ awards winners. Well done to all students who were acknowledged.

A Special thank you and congratulations to Phil Noreika, sports coordinator who coordinated the event and he was ably supported by our three other PDHPE staff members as well as the CAPA faculty who provided the amazing musical pieces, including 'Eye of the Tiger' which definitely got the adrenaline going.

Staff

To our teaching and support staff, thank you for everything that you do for us and our school. Your efforts, care, support, dedication and love for our school really shows on a daily basis. I would like to thank all staff for their efforts in 2017.

A particular ‘thank you’ to staff who are leaving Randwick Boys’ High School. We wish you well in your new endeavours.

Staff leaving include:

Mr Kieren Brown (Science) – to Cronulla HS
Ms Natasha Josevski (HSIE) – to Cronulla HS
Mr Vince Hatton (English/ESL) – Retiring
Ms Milena Quansah (English) – Retiring
Ms Shirley Elfes (SASS Office staff) – Retiring
Ms Leila Grace (English) - another school

Just recently, I have been in contact with the family of one of our Mathematics staff members, Ms Jude Andrewartha.

Ms Andrewartha has been absent due to illness. I can now inform the school community that Ms Andrewartha actually suffered a
stroke and, as a result, will not be returning to Randwick Boys’ High School. Ms Andrewartha is recovering and we wish her well during her rehabilitation and in her future. Our thoughts are with her and her family and we wish her all the best.

Holidays

As this is the last email of the year, I would like to thank all students, staff, parents and carers for their efforts and achievements in 2017. It has been another sensational year at Randwick Boys’ High School and I wish the Randwick Boys’ High School community a restful and safe holiday. I look forward to seeing you all in 2018.

L Raskall
Principal

COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 4

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RBHS was there when history was made

While reading his History textbook, alert and eagle-eyed Stan Daly brought this famous photograph of the Reconciliation March in 2000 to the attention of 10 History 1. He spotted the Randwick Boys’ High banner in the left centre of the crowd, circled for your convenience. A clearer version of the photograph appears in Maureen Anderson’s Retroactive 2 (Jacaranda, 2014), an Australia-wide textbook for stage five students. The image itself, taken by Loui Seselja, is held by the National Archives and is displayed as the title page of the National Museum of Australia’s 100 Defining Moment of Australian History archive. Search an24526893 if you want a closer look!

This is evidence of two things. Firstly, you should always study the evidence very carefully. Secondly, making a small gesture, like marching for a cause you value such as Aboriginal reconciliation, can have a lasting impact.

N Benson
History

COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 1

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ATAR Results
Morning Tea

Friday 15 December 2017
10:00 - 11:15am
Randwick Boys’ High School outside the ILC

All Year 12 students are invited to a morning tea to catch up with classmates and teachers and celebrate their ATAR results.

L Raskall
Principal

Congratulations

Two weeks ago we were very proud to recognise the achievements of Aidan Prior (Yr 8) who was awarded the Principal’s Gold Medallion for his outstanding academic achievements and his commitment to being a safe, respectful learner. Aidan and his family have now relocated to the Blue Mountains and we wish them all the very best on their journey.

L Pappin
Head Teacher Wellbeing
The girl who topped her engineering class at a boys school

The top engineering HSC student at Randwick Boys’ High School is a champion athlete. And a girl.

Scarlett Pye, 17, was a student at the neighbouring Randwick Girls’ High when she desperately wanted to study engineering but her school did not offer it. Rather than miss out, the state 400m hurdles champion joined a class of about 20 boys to study it for the HSC.

She excelled and topped the subject in years 11 and 12 and is confident it will be her best subject when HSC results are released on Thursday morning.

“I love building and designing things and I have some cousins who are engineers and so it is something I always thought I would love to do,” Scarlett said.

“The boys in my class were great and all very supportive.”

Champion athlete Scarlett Pye topped engineering at an all-boys school. Photo: Louise Kennerley

She hopes to study at civil engineering and surveying at the University of NSW or aeronautical engineering at Sydney University.

But Scarlett, who has been the state 400m hurdles champion for three years and is the national silver medallist, also has her sights on the Olympics, either Tokyo in 2020 or Paris in 2024. She is used to juggling training with her studies.

She competed in the NSW All Schools championship the day before she sat her first HSC exam but she says training kept her calm during year 12.

Studying for the HSC and training several times a week, as well as travelling for meets, made studying “very difficult” but she never dreamed of giving it away.

“If I keep training and competing like I am now, I definitely have a good chance of making it to the Olympics,” she said.

“I think if I didn't keep running, I would have been totally overwhelmed by the HSC if I didn't have that balance.”

Scarlett is coached by her father and is a member of the Asics West Track and Field Club at Auburn. She said without the support of her family and her teachers and principals at both schools, she could not have managed to do so well.

The principal of Randwick Girls, Lucy Andre, said Scarlett had always been an exceptional role model at the school.

“Scarlett displays a lot of leadership qualities and she is never scared of a new challenge,” Ms Andre said.

“She is an excellent role model of the girls in this school.”

Article in Sydney Morning Herald by Alexandra Smith Wednesday, 13th December

Talking Tech…..

Members of the Year 9 woodworking class were given the opportunity to see how their woodworking tools can be sharpened to a professional standard. David, from Timberbits, visited the school and conducted a comprehensive workshop, where the students learnt how to sharpen their tools, as well as the benefits of using sharp woodworking tools.

The boys were exceptional and were thrilled to be part of the experience. David was impressed with their behaviour and enthusiasm for the subject. They boys will complete a safety test at the beginning of 2018, where they will be eligible to attain their sharpening licence so they can maintain chisel and plane blades themselves, and truly see who has the sharpest tool in the shed…..

David from Timberbits with, from right Ethan Sapsford, Ben Royston, Blake Moseson, George Stamatatos, Jayson Clarke and Miguel Montoya

L George
Relieving Head Teacher TAS
Chess report

On Wednesday December 6, six of our students competed in The Scots College Chess Invitational.

Our representatives were Warren Song, Justin Shao, Kim Malaxos, Noah Steinmann, Gideon Bellamy and Yuto Hosada.

Our students, who were wearing the school tie and blazer, looked great.

They challenged 31 of the elite private and selective schools in Sydney. Our school was the best performing comprehensive school, resulting in an 11th place out of the 33 contesting schools.

As teacher in charge of the excursion, I am very pleased to report that our students did an excellent job in representing our school.

Well done boys!

Robert Anderson
Librarian

TSC Chess Invitational 2017

Final Standings (7 Rounds)

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Photos: Hayden Wong Wing Kee & Nicholas Franciskus
Year 6 Parent Information Evening

Photos: Marcus Mailata
Planting with Year 8 students
CBD and South East Light Rail
Construction Update – Traffic Switch

In planning for Tomorrow’s Sydney, we are building a new light rail line to provide modern, reliable public transport from Circular Quay, through the CBD, to Kingsford and Randwick via Surry Hills, Moore Park and Kensington.

New construction compound arrangement on
High Street between Clara Street and Avoca Street
from 8pm Friday 8 December 2017

We have almost completed the installation of critical infrastructure to accommodate power supply to the light rail on the southern side of High Street. To continue this important stage of our work, we will need to shift the compound to the northern side of the road.

From 8pm Friday 8 December, the construction compound currently located on the southern side of High Street between Clara Street and Avoca Street will be moved to the northern side of High Street. It is expected to take one night shift to complete the new traffic arrangement. This arrangement will be in place for approximately three months, weather permitting.

Local access will be maintained on the southern side of High Street and traffic flow will remain in the same direction, travelling east on High Street. Footpaths and pedestrian access into buildings will not be impacted.

We understand driveway access is important to local residents and businesses on High Street. Local access will be maintained to driveways and buildings. Road plates will be in use, and temporary impacts to driveway access will be managed with the assistance of traffic control.

For further information about our work, please contact the ALTRAC community relations team on 1800 684 490 or via email at SLRcommunity@acciona.com.

We would like to thank you for your continued patience and cooperation as we complete this important work for the CBD and South East Light Rail.

For more information:
Project enquiries: 1800 684 490
Urgent enquiries or complaints: 24-hour Construction Response Line: 1800 775 485
Email: projects@transport.nsw.gov.au Visit: www.sydneylightrail.com.au
For the latest information on construction dates and locations: www.livetraffic.com
Teen Summer Reading Challenge

11 December 2017 – 21 January 2018

Game on – sign up today and win great prizes!

For more information: 9093 6400
Join our annual Teen Summer Reading Challenge and you could win some cool prizes!

There are plenty of great prizes to win including books and gift vouchers.

Check out the display case at Lionel Bowen Library to see the full range of prizes.

Q: How do I join the Teen Summer Reading Challenge (TSRC)?

A: Simple - speak to a member of staff at any of the three branch libraries to register. You will be given a TSRC Information Sheet, some entry slips and a couple of review forms (don’t worry if you run out, you can download them from the website or pick up a few more from one of the libraries).

Q: Can anyone join?

A: No. Only library members who are of high-school age (those who have teen library cards) can join. Remember, library membership is free.

Q: How do I win a prize?

A: Complete a slip for every book you read and enter it into the draw at one of the library branches.

Each slip will act as a raffle ticket and will be entered into the prize draw. All slips and reviews must be received at the library by close of business Sunday 21 January 2018 at the very latest.

There will also be prizes awarded for the best reviews (as judged by staff*) submitted before the closing date. Reviews may be featured on the Library’s website throughout the year – if yours is, you’ll receive an extra one-off prize!

Q: How do I get more entries into the prize draw?

A: In addition to an entry for every book you read, every review you submit will also get you an extra entry (multiple reviews for the same book are not allowed).

Q: What books do I have to read?

A: Anything you like, as long as the book is appropriate for your age and reading level. However, magazines are not eligible.

Q: When are the raffle prize and best review winners announced?

A: Prize winners will be contacted by telephone. Their names will also be listed on the Library website by Monday 29 January 2018.

*Decisions are final and at the discretion of Library staff.

For more information: 9093 6400
### School Holiday Program

**FOR AGES 13-18 (or under 13 if in High School)**

**Monday 1 January to Friday 26 January 2018**

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**Public holidays:**

- Monday 8 January
- Monday 15 January
- Monday 22 January
- Monday 29 January

**Free:**
- Swimming at Clovelly Beach
- Swimming at Bondi Beach
- Archery and outdoor laser tag
- Paddle boarding and kayaking at Rose Bay
- Surf lessons at Maroubra
- Middle Head hike and photography
- Stand tall - Basketball Clinic with Charity Bounce
- Lunch provided

**Locations:**

- Des Renford Pool
- Ice Zoo
- Featherdale Farm
- Fox Studio
- Rose Bay
- Maroubra
- Jamberoo Recreational Park
- Middle Head
- Bondi Beach
- Bronte Beach
- Clovelly Beach
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.

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