

# Randwick Boys' High School

Guiding Young Men to Success

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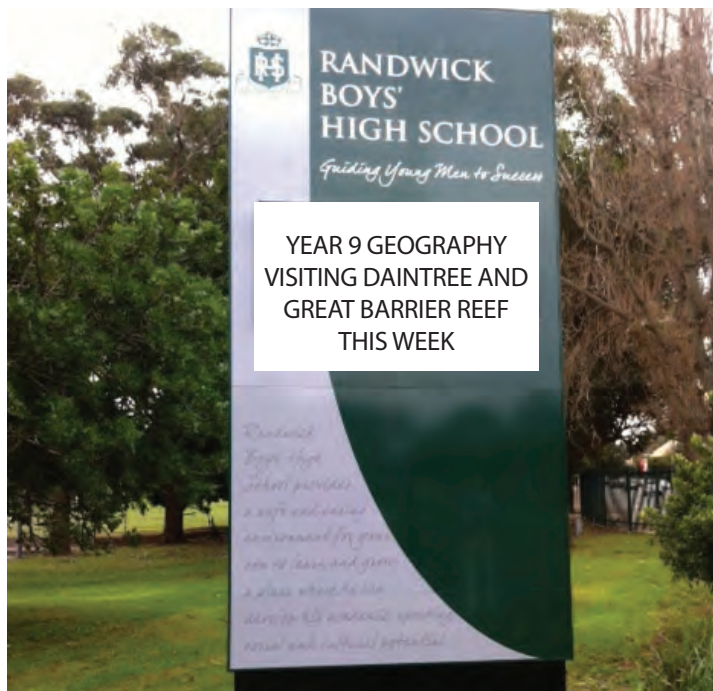
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## Colour Run







## From the Principal

### SRC Leadership Camp

It was wonderful to visit Milson's Island on Tuesday this week to discuss opportunities that our leaders proposed during the annual Leadership camp. Students were very professional when pitching their ideas and they have some fabulous ideas when it comes to activities next year, for our students. Many of the ideas include inviting our sister school, Randwick Girls' HS to events. We are hoping they join us, as we will be inviting them to opportunities available at RBHS.



### Chess gala day – Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November



Our inaugural Inner-school Chess Competition was held this week. Rian Bairle, Year 11 Chess Captain, organised an amazing day for our Chess players to play each other and Mr Benson. A HUGE congratulations to all involved, particularly Justin Shao, our overall winner. Mr Grasso assisted Rian with organisation and we thank him for his efforts.

### Year 12 Formal – Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November

The Year 12 Formal was held last Tuesday and was a fantastic event. Year 12 enjoyed a meal together and then hit the dance floor! It was wonderful to see so many staff attend and celebrate the end of Year 12 with our students. Mr Grasso, as Year 12 Advisor, organised the students and venue etc and we thank him for his efforts.

### P & C meeting – Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November

Please note we have a P & C meeting this coming Tuesday. It was postponed from last week due to the clash with the Year 12 Formal. All welcome.



### RBHS School Captain to host White Ribbon Walk ceremony

The annual 'White Ribbon Walk' was renamed 'Step out, Speak out' in 2019. Our student leaders joined dignitaries and other schools to add their voice to the 'Stop Violence against Women' message. Freddy Whalebone was one of the hosts and did Randwick Boys' High School proud. His speech and hosting duties were exceptional. Thanks to Ms Austen, Ms Manjazi and Mr Benson for coordinating and joining the students on the walk.



### Colour run and P & C BBQ

Ms Pappin and a band of students did an amazing job during the Colour Run held on Thursday this week. Students LOVED being involved, whilst raising funds for a local Women's Refuge. On the day, members of our P & C provided a BBQ for all students at our school. Our students loved the reward and were so thankful. I would like to thank all parents who assisted, all students and staff, particularly Ms Pappin for coordinating such an amazing (and messy) experience! PS I am sure the students enjoyed 'colouring' staff during the last lesson 'Staff Colour Run'. Well done to all.



L Raskall  
Principal

## COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 4

Week 7	Week A/Events
Monday 25 November	Yr 10 Work Experience begins Homework Centre, Library, 3:30 - 5pm
Tuesday 26 November	Excursion: Yr 9 QLD HSIE Trip, Day 1 P & C Meeting, Common Room, 7pm
Wednesday 27 November	Excursion: Yr 9 QLD HSIE Trip, Day 2
Thursday 28 November	Excursion: Yr 9 QLD HSIE Trip, Day 3 Homework Centre, Library, 3:30 - 5pm
Friday 29 November	Excursion: Yr 9 QLD HSIE Trip, Day 4 Excursion: Yr 11 Earth & Environmental Science to La Perouse Museum, 9am Yr 10 Work Experience continues

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The next P & C Meeting  
will be held on  
**Tuesday 26 November**  
7pm  
Staff Common Room  
All welcome

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## Payments

Any payments made after 1pm will be held over to the next day as the banking is done at 1pm.



Admin

## Marine Studies snorkel trip

The upcoming snorkel trip for both the Year 9/10 Marine classes to Gordon's Bay on Monday the 16/12/19 costs \$65, including all equipment, transport and instructors. It will be an amazing experience to supplement their learning and put their skills in the water to the test as we are currently studying the practice and applications of snorkelling. We are happy to take online payments and/set up split payments.



J Wallis  
Marine Studies/Science

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## Year 11 Writing Day

Today, Year 11 participated in workshops run by The Clever Cookie Academy on writing and study skills. Students learnt about goal setting, time management, and a range of writing forms and techniques, completing practical activities throughout the day.



The English faculty would like to congratulate the students on their engagement and their enthusiasm to share their work and ideas. Teachers and students alike spoke positively about the day and got a lot out of the presentations for their HSC year.

*Clever Cookie*  
• ACADEMY •

E Payne  
Head Teacher English



## Start Smart

The Commonwealth Bank is one of Australia's oldest financial institutions, and on Monday, 11 November, our Year 9 and 10 Commerce students benefitted from an incursion during which they participated in an interactive, educational workshop designed to motivate and inspire them, as well as giving confidence and skills to make smart decisions about money.

Start Smart is an award-winning program, that has been run at RBHS for the past few years. We hope our students profit from the experience.

Geoffrey Grasso  
Year 10 Commerce Coordinator



# START SMART

CommonwealthBank 

## IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION REGARDING STUDENT WELFARE AND WELLBEING



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

As the welfare and wellbeing of students are the school's highest priorities, I need to provide you with the following information.

An incident occurred this morning near Maroubra Junction Public School where a primary school-aged student, not from our school, was approached by two men in a motor vehicle.

The student, who was not harmed, avoided the men and reported the matter to a teacher when arriving at his school. Police were then informed.

Although this incident did not involve Maroubra Junction Public School or one of its students, our teachers will remind their classes about the 'Stranger Danger' messages which are regularly provided. We would like your support in reinforcing this message at home.

Thanks,

L Raskall  
Principal



## Randwick Girls' - 'Speak Out'

We were honoured to receive an invitation to participate in Randwick Girls' High School's 'Speak Out' assembly on Wednesday, 20 November. 'Speak Out' is a movement aiming to raise awareness and take action on the scourge of violence against women, and replaces the White Ribbon Day campaign of recent years.

Brendan Bretlen, Hayden Wong Wing Kee, Jack Doyle, Nicholas Franciskus, Jasper Lloyd, Rian Bairle, Ryan Kiss and Sebastien Geoffroy represented our school. Their presence in support of our sister school was acknowledged by local MP Matt Thistlethwaite in his address on the prevalence of domestic violence in our community. Belinda Casseldon, a board member of Deli Women and Children Service spoke movingly on the problem of abusive relationships, and gave the young women in the audience many important perspectives on their rights. Latoya Brown, a Dharawal woman, taught us about the central role of women in Indigenous culture.



I was proud to have been accompanied by our school delegation who discussed with me their responses to the powerful speeches afterwards. It was wonderful for the young women of RGHS to have seen our young men in solidarity with them on this urgent issue.

The tradition of RBHS's involvement in campaigning against sexual violence and relationship abuse will continue with other activities over the next few days. As with many things that occur in schools, family discussions on representations and attitudes towards women will support our work as teachers.



N Benson  
HT Wellbeing

## Inaugural Chess Gala Day

On Monday, 18 November, RBHS held its inaugural Chess Gala Day. Throughout the day, 18 of our students pitted their skills against each other during an intense knockout competition that left one man, or should we say student, standing. Congratulations to Justin Shao (Yr 9) on achieving first place.



At the conclusion of the knockout competition, a final friendly game was held between Justin and HSIE Teacher, historian and part-time chess player, Nick Benson. Despite all promise and practice, youth prevailed and Mr Benson bowed to the call of "check mate".

All funds raised during the Chess Gala Day, less expenses of course, are being donated to the Bayside Women's Shelter. A worthy charity being supported by RBHS.



Our congratulations are also extended to Seth Turner (Yr 8) who came second and Edward Williams (Yr 7) who placed third.

A major "well done" goes to Rian Bairle, Chess Club Captain, and members of the Chess Club who were instrumental in the success of the Gala Day.

Geoffrey Grasso  
Chess Club Coordinator







Photos: Nicholas Franciskus & Hayden Wong Wing Kee











# P & C fundraising BBQ



Photos: Nicholas Franciskus  
& Hayden Wong Wing Kee







# NEWS



Randwick Boys' High School P&C is a group of parents, carers, staff & community members who work together to provide opportunities for all students at RBHS. We meet on the third Tuesday of the month during school term at 7pm in the Staff Common Room on Level 1 of the Admin building. Everyone is welcome!



## Next P&C meeting Tue 26 Nov - 7pm

**Staff Room  
Level 1  
Admin Building**

### 2019 P&C Committee

**Birgit Schickinger - President**  
**Sarah Brill - Vice President**  
**Michelle Bradley - Vice President**  
**Leanne Bergan - Treasurer**  
**Suzy Forrester - Secretary**

## Meeting - Tue 26th Nov

Please join us for our last meeting of the year on Tuesday 26th November at 7pm. We invite you to share some light refreshments after the meeting.

## P&C BBQ

Thank you to Michelle, Lyn, Leanne, Suzy, Heike and Mandy for helping at our P&C BBQ yesterday. It was a great event and the students and teachers were very appreciative. We raised \$288 in gold coin donations!



## Connect with us:

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 Randwick Boys High School P&C







\*items may vary from picture and are not to scale



# Book Packs are back!

Our Back to School Book Pack is the perfect way to get organised for the 2020 school year *and* you are supporting a P&C fundraiser for the school!

Book Packs contain all of the exercise books & stationery items on the Year 7 & 8 school list.

**Book Packs will be available from the school office  
from early December**



# OPEN DAY

**SATURDAY 23rd  
NOVEMBER**

**11AM – 12.30PM**



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