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Guiding Young Men to Success

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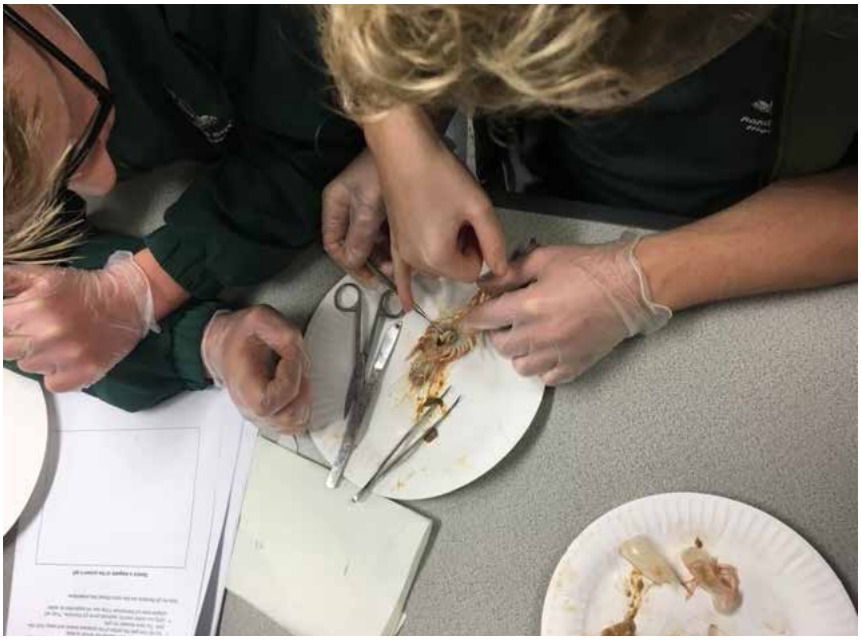
Year 10 Marine farming



State Wind Band experience

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From the Principal

Subject selection evening for current Year 8 and 10 – Wednesday 14th August

Our annual subject selection evening is for students who are choosing elective subjects. Current Year 8 students have, for the first time, control over some of the subjects they wish to study. In the next 2 weeks, Year 8 will be asked to choose their ELECTIVES (two) for study over the next two years. To ensure that students make INFORMED decisions, we have organised a Parent and Student information evening on Wednesday 14th August at 6pm. Year 8 parents and students will need to be in the Library by 5.50pm as we begin promptly at 6pm. The evening is in two parts. First, parents and students hear from me and are shown what is expected in terms of electives, subject requirements, fees etc. Then, students and parents move to the hall where every elective and mandatory subject is represented and available to discuss course requirements etc.

Current Year 10 students have the same opportunity. Parents and students of Year 10 are required to be in the Library at 6.50pm as we begin promptly at 7pm. Again, parents and students hear from me and then move to the hall to discuss courses and requirements with all subjects represented.

It is VITAL that all Year 8 and 10 students and parents attend so we can assist them to make INFORMED decisions regarding their future patterns of study.

Debating vs Sydney Girls' HS

It was wonderful to see our Year 7 students engaged in a debate against Sydney Girls' HS this week. Our students did a tremendous job and made some outstanding points whilst rebuffing points made by the opposition. In a first for Randwick Boys' debating, the adjudicator was unable to attend at the last minute, so the debate was filmed and sent away for analysis before a winning team will be announced. We wish the team well and thank Ms Check, Ms Beaumont and Ms Payne for their coordination of Debating at our school.

Parent/Teacher evening – Tuesday 6th August

It was fantastic to see so many parents attend our Year 8, 9 and 10 Parent/teacher interviews earlier this week. Most were extremely impressed with the progress of their son. It is vital that students also read and analyse their report, especially the comments from their teachers, as there is advice on what needs to be addressed in terms of improvements. We look forward to improvements from all students during Semester Two.

Year 11 Prefect speeches

This week, 23 brave Year 11 students elected to be considered for 12 Perfect positions for 2020. Students presented speeches to the Year 11 cohort. Speeches were also filmed and uploaded so that all staff are able to view them as well. Voting is currently taking place and successful candidates will be announced shortly. Then, the 12 prefects, as well as staff, will elect a School Captain and Vice-Captain following nominations and another speech. It is brilliant to see so many leaders electing to be considered for the important position of Prefect. It will be a tough decision to let only 12 know that they have been elected! A special thanks to Ms Austen for coordinating the nominations and elections of Prefects as well as the Student Representative Council, made up of students from ALL year groups.

Duke of Edinburgh

The Duke of Edinburgh hike, scheduled for Thursday and Friday this week, has been postponed due to inclement weather. Mr Dimopoulos regularly checks the long term forecast and decided that the hike needed to be postponed. Hopefully, the eager students and staff will be able to fulfil their hike next week.

Gifted and Talented interviews

Earlier this year, students from Year 6 sat for our Gifted and Talented exam. Results from the exam have been released to the school and we are currently interviewing students who we believe would be strong candidates for the Year 7 Gifted and Talented classes for 2020 and beyond. The quality of students who have applied has been magnificent! We wish all the candidates well in their interviews and presentation of portfolios.

We also have a number of current students in Years 7, 8 and 9 who also sat the exam. Some of these students will also be invited to interview in the coming weeks.

A special thank you to Ms McNeil, our Deputy Principal, for coordinating the program and Ms Al-Anbagi, our Year 7 Advisor for 2020.

L Raskall
Principal

School Trivia Night

Book now for the P&C Trivia Night Friday, 30th August.

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Coming events for Term 2	
Week 4	Week B/Events
Monday 12 August	HSC Trial Exams continue Science Week begins Homework Centre, Library, 3:30 - 5pm
Wednesday 14 August	Summer Sport Trials Year 8 into 9 Subject Selection Information Evening, 6pm Year 10 into 11 Subject Selection Infomation Evening, 7pm
Thursday 15 August	Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Journey, Yr 9, Blue Mountains, Day 1 Homework Centre, Library, 3:30 - 5pm
Friday 16 August	Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Journey, Yr 9, Blue Mountains, Day 2 HSC Trial Exams continue Science Week ends

Making Connections

Congratulations and a huge thank you to the 10 Science K class and their Science teacher, Ms Manzalji, for planning and conducting two very successful electricity workshops with Year 5 and 6 students from Rainbow Street Public School. During the last few weeks of Term 2, students planned activities and created worksheets, which Ms Manzalji then compiled, to make engaging booklets for the primary school students to complete as they conducted a suite of experiments. Thanks also to the willing and able 10 Science 1 students who stepped in to help run the workshops with the very engaged and excited boys and girls from Rainbow Street Public School.

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At Randwick Boys' High School we are committed to providing enrichment opportunities to all students from our feeder schools. It is activities like these that help prepare students for a smooth transition into high school. Thank you to all staff involved with this project.

T Betros
Head Teacher Science

HSC Minimum Standard Online Tests - Year 10, 2019

Every student in NSW is being supported to meet a minimum standard of literacy and numeracy to receive the HSC from 2020.

Students need to meet the HSC minimum standard to receive the HSC. To show they meet the standard students need to achieve Level 3 or 4 in the online reading, writing and numeracy test.

HSC MINIMUM STANDARD

From 2020, only students who meet the HSC minimum standard will receive a Higher School Certificate testamur. Students do not need to meet the HSC minimum standard to:

study HSC courses

sit HSC exams

receive HSC assessment and exam results

receive an ATAR

receive a Record of School Achievement.

Students have two opportunities a year in Years 10, 11 or 12 to pass any tests needed. They will also be able to take them for a few years after they leave school.

The tests have been scheduled to take place for Year 10 students at Randwick Boys' High School on Thursday 29 and Friday 30 August. They will sit practice tests on Thursday 22 and Friday 23 August.

L McNeil
Deputy Principal

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Year 4 STEM Program with Clovelly Public School

100 Year 4 students from Clovelly Public School are visiting Randwick Boys' every Wednesday afternoon during Term 3 to participate in a STEM program, developed by the Science and TAS faculties.

Ms Wallis, Mr Nguyen, Ms Manzalji and Ms Kounsal are giving the students a taste of high school, as well as developing their knowledge and understanding of science and scientific thinking, through activities such as Being a Scientist, The Microscopic World and All about fossils. Students will complete a range of tasks aimed at developing their creative and critical thinking skills as well as enhancing their ability to apply these skills to real world problems.

It is wonderful to welcome such enthusiastic, inquiring minds into our school community.

L McNeil
Deputy Principal

State Wind Band experience

Oskar and I participated in the State Junior Wind Band that performed at the Opera House last week. Prior to that we had to do a number of rehearsals, which were long but interesting as there were people from 42 different schools attending, some of them 10 hours away! We had never met before or played with each other, but we managed it. The music was good and wasn't as hard as I expected.

On the 2 performance days we had rehearsals at the Opera House in the morning.

Stepping inside the Opera House felt amazing. I have only been inside once to watch a movie with a live orchestra playing, but now I was on the very same stage that famous or well known people had performed on. It was so exciting to perform there. When I was inside I never really realised how high the ceiling or roof was until I looked up.

Being a trombone player, I've only ever played with a handful of other trombone players before. I was surprised that 7 turned up.

In the end it was a good and fun experience to play in the Opera House for the first time.

Kai Syrett-Lay
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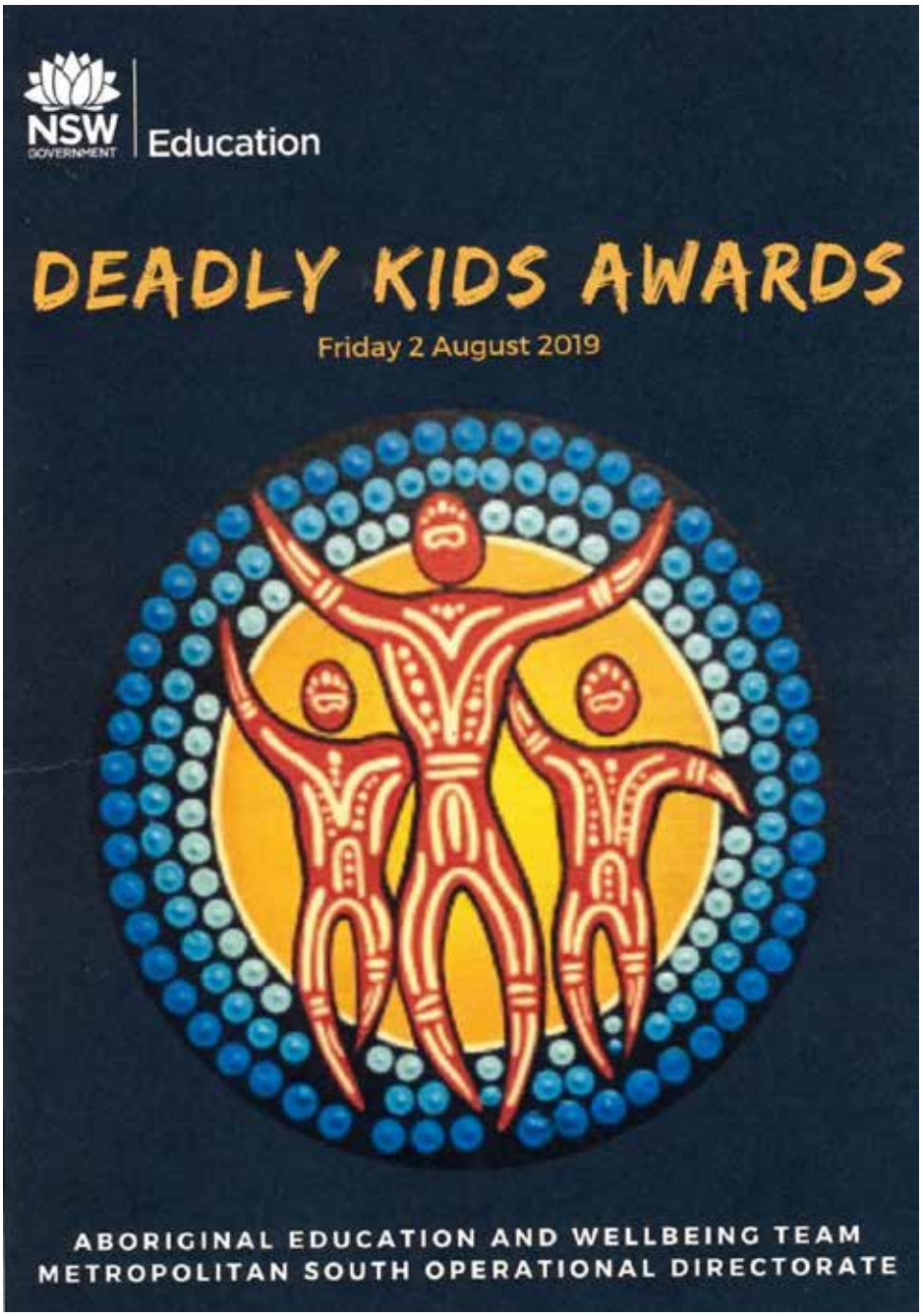
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DEADLY KIDS AWARDS
Friday 2 August 2019
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2019 Deadly Kids Awards
Aunty Fay Carroll Memorial Award

Year 10 Marine farming dissection

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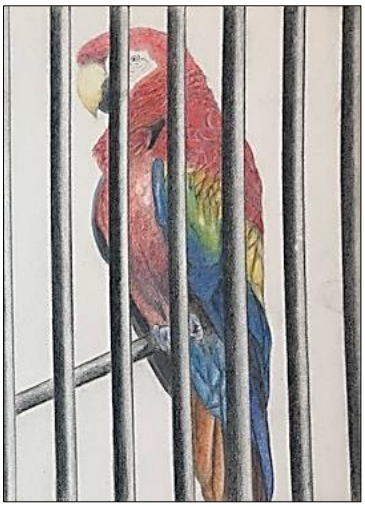
Year 8, 9 and 10 Parent/Teacher Evening

RANDWICK BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL



2019 Year 12
CAPA & TAS
EXHIBITION & PERFORMANCE EVENING
Thursday 29th August 2019
Music Block
5:30 – 7:30pm
Music Performances begin at 6pm

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P&C 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 20 Aug - 7pm

Trivia Night
Fri 30 Aug

2019 P&C Committee

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

TRIVIA

DON'T MISS OUT!

- Tickets $25
- Rocketboy Pizza from $24
- Reserve a table of 10
- Book on a year table eg "Year 7" or "Year 10" and meet new parents!
- Make new friends - book Table 00

HOW CAN I HELP?

- Donate a prize or contact a business
- Buy raffle tickets on the night
- Bid on silent auction items
- Help set up/pack up

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RBHS P&C TRIVIA NIGHT

FRI | 30 AUG 2019

7PM START

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silent auctions | raffles | prizes

TICKETS $25

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Randwick Boys' High School P&C proudly presents
the 2019 Trivia Night!

HSC MINIMUM STANDARD

You need **reading, writing and maths skills for everyday life** after school. This why you are required to demonstrate a **minimum standard of literacy and numeracy** to receive the Higher School Certificate (HSC) from 2020.

To make sure you have the basics right, and show you meet the minimum standard, you need to pass short online tests of everyday reading, writing and maths skills.

- The tests will be available to take at school up to twice a year in Year 10, Year 11 or Year 12, and even after the HSC.
- Sample questions and answers are available online, as well as practice tests and advice from students who have completed the tests.
- Your school will help you decide when you are ready to take each test.
- You do not need to sit the reading, writing or numeracy online test(s) if you achieved Band 8 or above in the respective 2017 Year 9 NAPLAN test(s).

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Some students with disabilities will be eligible for extra provisions for the online tests, or an exemption. Talk to your teachers to determine whether you are eligible for provisions. A Disability Provisions, Exemptions and Appeals policy is available on the NESA website.

MORE INFORMATION

Contact your school principal or visit **educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/HSCminimumstandard**

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Time Management - Using a Term Planner

The School's Assessment Team has designed four templates for students to use as a term planner. Each template is based on a school term. A term planner is a record of important dates for the term related to your study. It allows you to keep track of what pieces of assessment are due and how much they are worth at one glance. It can help you to manage your time more effectively by allowing you to identify your peak study load times so that you can make sure that you have plenty of time to get all your assignments done. These four templates are available on the school's website for you to download and use.

Follow these steps to use your term planner effectively:

1. At the start of each year, you will be given a course outline for each of your subjects which should detail what pieces of assessment are required for that subject, how much they are worth and when they are due. Put this information into your term planner. Write the exact week or dates that they are due. For example:

Term 3, 2019 Assessment Planner **Name: Hulk Hogan** **Year: 11**

Use the planner to schedule all assignments (including their % value and word limits).

WEEK	Week Beginning	BIOLOGY	ENGLISH	BUSINESS STUDIES	COMPUTING
Week 1	22 July		Research for assignment 1.	Research for assignment 1.	
Week 2	29 July	Prac report due Thursday. Worth 10%.	Research and write up assignment 1draft.	Research assigement.	In-class online test Monday. Worth 5%.
Week 3	5 August		Review, edit and submit assignment 1. Due Monday. 1000 words Worth 10%.	Research and write up assignment 1 draft	In-class online test. Monday. Worth 5%.
Week 4	12 August	Prac Report due Thursday. Worth 10%.	Research for assignment 2.	Review, edit and submit assignment 1. Due Wed. 1000 words. Worth 15%	In-class online test. Monday. Worth 10%
Week 5	19 August		Research and write up assignment 2 draft. Check online discussion		In-class online test Monday. Worth 10%.

2. From this overview you can see when your busy times are going to be. Use this information to determine when you will begin work on a piece of assessment. For example, with five pieces of assessment due within a three-week period, it would be sensible for this student to plan to begin work on some, or all, of these pieces of assessment several weeks before they are due. These start dates can be marked on the planner.

3. Knowing how much each piece of assessment is worth will help you to determine how much time to spend on it. For example, it doesn't make sense to allocate three weeks to prepare an assignment worth 20% and only one week to prepare a major project worth 60%.

4. List other important dates and activities on your term planner. If there are important events coming up (eg. a wedding, family visit) put these into your planner. This helps help you identify if you have assessment due around that same time so you to plan to start it earlier.

5. Once you have completed your term planner put it somewhere where you can see it easily (eg. above your regular study area, taped to the front of your main study folder). It's of no use to you if it's hidden under a pile of papers or tucked into the back of a diary.

6. Refer to it frequently so that no piece of assessment just 'sneaks up' on you. Also, you may need to update your term planer occasionally as some assessment dates may change. Check with your teacher often.

S Lochen
Assessment Team Leader

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Subject Selection Information Evening

Year 8 2019 into Year 9 2020

and

Year 10 2019 into Year 11 2020

Wednesday 14th August

Dear Parents/Guardians,

On **Wednesday 14th August,** the school will be holding the Subject Selection Information Evening for students in Year 8 (2019) progressing into Year 9 (2020), and Year 10 (2019) students progressing into Year 11 (2020).

This is an opportunity for you and your son to be informed of the requirements for electives in Stage 5 (years 9 and 10) and patterns of study Stage 6 (years 11 and 12).

The Principal will address the course requirements for each cohort in the **school Library.** Students and parents will have the opportunity to discuss subjects, assessments and course requirements with faculty representatives in the **school hall following the Principal presentation in the Library**. The organisation is as follows:

Year 8 (2019) into Year 9 (2020)	6:00pm	Principal's Address	School Library
	6:30pm	Faculty Representatives	School Hall

Year 10 (2019) into Year 11 (2020)	7:00pm	Principal's Address	School Library
	7:30pm	Faculty Representatives	School Hall

This is an opportunity for you and your son to be informed of the course requirements for years 9 and 10, and years 11 and 12.

Please be aware that once the year (2020) begins, it is very difficult to move from one course to another due to the fact that we have set timetables and staffing based on the information you have given us THIS year.

We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday the 14th August for our Subject Selection evening.

L. Raskall

Lance Raskall
Principal

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Write a Book in a Day | THE KIDS' CANCER PROJECT Science. Solutions. Survival.

This year, all Year 7 English classes at Randwick Boys' High School will participate in the *Write a Book in a* Day Competition and fundraiser for The Kids' Cancer Project. They will be involved during school hours on Monday 26 August 2019. Once students return their note, they will be added to our online team page and then sent a login that they can use to raise funds for The Kid's Cancer Project. This will need to be finalised by Friday 23 August. It will be a fun and creative experience and chance for us at RBHS to give back to the community. Please complete the permission form (below) and return to your child's English teacher by Friday 23 August.

I write to request permission for your child/ward to join a team who will be participating in this year's *Write a Book in a Day* competition to be held on **Monday 26 August 2019**.

Write a Book in a Day is a creative writing competition for students in years 5 - 12 with unique aspects:

- It involves team work (up to 10 in a team) with students tasked with planning, writing, illustrating and publishing an original story book.
- A unique set of parameters need to be included in the story.
- The book must be completed within a 12-hour period between 8am and 8pm
- Completed books are given to kids in hospitals.

Students are asked to generate sponsorship with all funds raised going toward scientific research to help children with cancer through The Kids' Cancer Project. Your child/ward will be given an online sponsorship page so they can ask family and friends to support their fundraising.

Links to the online sponsorship page will be sent to you by email so you can assist your child/ward in their fundraising.

Please complete the information below to indicate you give your permission for your child/ward to participate in this event.

I ……
(PRINT YOUR NAME)
give my permission for …… who is in ……..
(PRINT STUDENT'S NAME) (PRINT STUDENT'S CLASS)

to participate in the *Write a Book in a Day* competition. My email address is

……
(PRINT YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS FOR LINK TO THE ONLINE SPONSORSHIP PAGE)
Discover more information at writeabookinaday.com and thekidscancerproject.org.au

Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions:

E Payne
Head Teacher English
Randwick Boys' High School

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