## **Randwick Boys' High School**

**Guiding Young Men to Success** 

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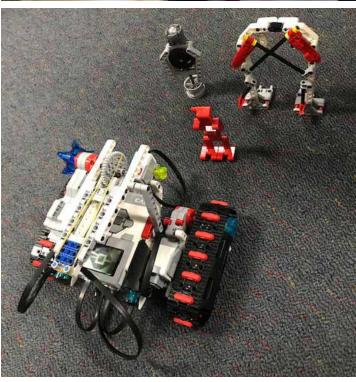
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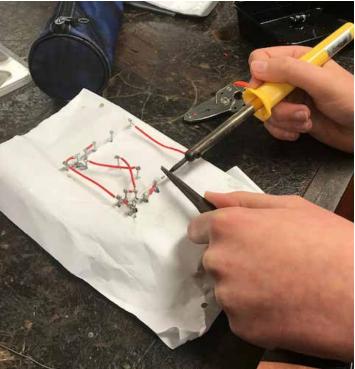
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### TAS projects - Food Technology and Design & Technology

















#### From the Principal

An update from the Department of Education re Year 12 students:

Protecting Year 12 students from COVID-19

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COVID-19 advice for HSC:

https://info.nesa.nsw.edu.au/t/j-l-qutildk-trhljknki-t/

COVID-19 safe exams:

https://info.nesa.nsw.edu.au/t/j-l-qutildk-trhljknki-i/

COVID-19 illness or misadventure

https://info.nesa.nsw.edu.au/t/j-l-qutildk-trhljknki-d/

Posters and social media tiles

https://info.nesa.nsw.edu.au/t/j-l-qutildk-trhljknki-h/

#### Year 12 Graduation

The annual Year 12 Graduation, held at Souths Juniors, has been postponed, due to Covid-19 restrictions. Students have been informed and it was also discussed at the recent P & C Meeting. We have been lucky enough to secure the auditorium at Souths Juniors for Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December. This is after the students have completed their HSC exams.

At this stage, planning can still go ahead for this very important event. Ms Saxena, Year 12 Advisor, is busy planning the Graduation. It is a chance to celebrate our students finishing 13 years of schooling and thank them for their efforts, before they move to Tertiary studies or employment etc.

We are hoping that, in NSW, restrictions will have eased and we are able to progress with the Graduation. If not, and I realise this is not ideal, we will need to investigate a Virtual Graduation for our class of 2020.

#### Year 12 Formal

At this stage, planning for the Year 12 Formal can also proceed. The Year 12 Formal will be held on the 18<sup>th</sup> November, following the Higher School Certificate examinations. Students are encouraged to pay the office for their two Formal tickets, if bringing a partner, or one, if they plan to attend alone.









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#### Leadership Investiture

Our Leadership Investiture, which is traditionally held in Term 3, cannot proceed in the usual format, due to Covid-19. We are hoping to hold a modified Investiture in Term 4 but again, will await advice from the Department of Education and Health. Prefects, Vice-Captain and Captain have all been elected and announced and the Junior Student Representative Councillors are being elected over the next two weeks.

#### 8 and 9 will be held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September from 3.30 – 6. Should any parent/Guardian need assistance with the process. Please contact the office well before the 8th September.

The second evening, for Year 7,

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

#### Year 12 Technics – Wood

I would like to congratulate our Year 12 Technics – Wood – students, who completed and submitted their major works and portfolios on Thursday this week. It was a large class and all projects look impressive. Mr Frougas, Head Teacher TAS, taught the students over the past 2 years and was happy with the final products. We now await the marking of the projects and their portfolios, which depicts the

progress involved in the major work. Well done to all students.

#### Year 12 Music

Year 12 Music students are busy polishing their performance pieces for HSC marking. Ms Olsen is impressed with the class and their commitment to their studies. The performance piece will be completed and marked shortly, before the written HSC exam next term. Good luck to all students involved.

#### Year 12 Visual Arts

Year 12 Visual Arts students are busy putting the finishing touches to their major works. Ms Cassar has been impressed with the cohort and the progress of their pieces. Again, they will be completed and submitted shortly, before being marked before the HSC written exam.

#### Year 12 Extension II English

Students completing English Extension II projects also completed their works this week. Ms Payne was very happy with the final submissions and is very proud of her Extension II students. Well done to all!

#### Parent Teacher evening – Tuesday Year 10, 11 and 12 (as well as Year 7 Languages and Visual Arts)

Our first Parent/Teacher Zoom Meeting was held last Tuesday (25th August). The feedback from staff and parents has been very

positive. We have had a small number of parents who have informed us that they could not log on for their booked session, despite our best efforts to issue clear instructions and to make the process as user friendly as possible.



Lance Raskall **Principal** 

COMING EVENTS FOR TERM		
Week 7	Week A /Events	
Monday 31 August	Homework Centre, Library, 3:30 - 5pm - <b>CANCELLED</b>	
Thursday 03 September	Homework Centre, Library, 3:30 - 5pm - <b>CANCELLED</b>	

#### Study Skills Webinar

#### Dear Parents/ Caregivers,

An opportunity to participate in an online Study Skills webinar, provided by Elevate Education. The webinar will be emphasizing the importance of independent learning and studying smarter, not just harder.

See details below,

Event Title: Elevate Education - Smart Work

Date: Tuesday 1st September

Time: 6pm AEST Duration: 1 hour Cost: Free



https://get.elevatecoaching.info/au/parent-webinar-study-skillsindependent-learning-1-sept/?school=RandwickBoysHighSchool &mc\_cid=c761b110cb&mc\_eid=4b419c92b8

Regards



Y Loizou Study Skills Coordinator







Dear parents and guardians, Randwick Boys' High School has recently subscribed to a provider called Edrolo for our senior students and their studies. Edrolo is an online resource designed to provide students with engaging, informative and comprehensive presentations to help them understand and learn all they need to know for their exams. When students are at various levels of understanding, Edrolo can really help to ensure that students do their best during these vital years. With comprehensive and engaging video lectures, supported by worked examples from past exams and interactive quizzes, we can help students understand, clarify and revise the content that teachers cover in the classroom. Please click on the following link for further information regarding the support available for our senior students.

http://edrolo.com.au/parents

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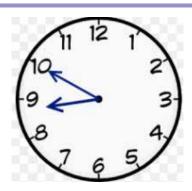
#### Student feeling unwell while at school

If your son/ward becomes unwell at school, he needs to:

- 1. Ask teacher for a note to go to the office.
- 2. After reporting to the office he will be sent to the Deputy Principal.
- 3. The Deputy Principal will decide if the parent/carer needs to be called.

This ensures your son/ward's attendance will be correctly marked for the rest of the day.

Administration



#### Arriving at school on time

The school would like to enlist the support of all parents and carers to ensure that students arrive at school on time, before 8.50am each day.

Students are required to be at school at this time in order to attend Roll Call at 8.50am on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and assembly on Wednesday. Roll Call involves the roll being marked and important daily information being provided to support students' ability to learn and engage with school. Roll Call is not an optional period – it is a compulsory part of the school day which every student is required to attend.

In terms of preparing students to assume a role in the workplace, punctuality is an important skill, critical to a young person maintaining their employment.

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Scooters and skateboards are prohibited items at RBHS and cannot be ridden to and from school. Bicycles are permitted (with helmets).

A reminder to please secure your bicyle to the allocated bike rack, to avoid bikes going missing!

Admin

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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. All welcome!



#### Coming Up.....

#### **P&C Meetings**



15 Sep 20 Oct 17 Nov

#### **2020 Office Bearers**

President: Birgit Schickinger Vice President: Michelle Bradley Vice President: Jason Bates Secretary: Suzy Forrester Treasurer: Leanne Bergan

#### Connect with us...



info@randwickboyspandc.org.au



Randwick Boys High School P&C

#### **SASS Appreciation Week!**

It is School Administration and Support Staff Appreciation Week! We acknowledge and say a very big THANK YOU to all of the support staff at Randwick Boys' High School who work so hard, often "behind the scenes". Our amazing SASS team helps with everything from school administration to teacher support to grounds duties!



#### **Next P&C Meeting**



P&C meetings are open to all parents, carers and citizens at RBHS. Virtual meetings have provided more opportunity to engage so we encourage you to join us for the next meeting on 15 Sep. If you would like to be added to our mailing list, or if you would like something added to the Agenda, please email: info@randwickboyspandc.org.au

#### How to have a great conversation

Sometimes communicating with teenagers can be tricky so here are some tips from <a href="ReachOutParents:">ReachOutParents:</a> https://parents.au.reachout.com/skills-to-build/wellbeing/things-to-try-coping-skills-and-resilience/how-to-have-a-great-conversation

- Make time and space to talk, get comfy, remove distractions such as phones, and have eye contact. These all signal that you are present, you want to listen, and you are 'there for them'.
- You don't need to fix their problem or make them feel better; you just need to listen.
- Try not to judge what they are saying. Just nod and say things like, 'Ok', 'Ah ha', 'Yeah'. This will let them know that you're listening positively and will encourage them to keep talking.
- Be empathetic.
- Talk often.

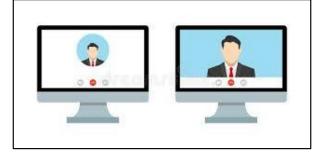
reachout.com https://parents.au.reachout.com/











# 2020 Parent/Teacher Zoom Meeting

Years 7, 8 and 9
Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September
3:30 – 6pm

Sentral Bookings CLOSE at 3:30pm on Monday 7th September

## Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we will be conducting our Parent/Teacher Evenings via Zoom Meetings.

- Parents are required to book a meeting time with their son's teacher online via the Sentral Student/Parent Portal.
- Booking times are limited to 5 minutes and will operate between 3:30pm 6pm.
- Parents will need the names of their son's classroom teachers.
- Parent/Teacher Meetings will be conducted via the Zoom video conferencing service.
- An information Pack was emailed to parents of Years 7, 8 and 9 on Friday 21st August.
- The information package will provide details and instructions on:
  - how to book a meeting through the Sentral Student/Parent Portal
  - o how to create a Zoom Account
  - o how to join a Zoom Meeting.
- Please be aware that each meeting is 5 minutes in length.
- Staff will do their best to adhere to the 5 minute time allocations.
- Please note: each scheduled meeting is private and no other staff or parent has access to the Zoom meeting.
- We highly recommend allowing 5-10 minutes between each booking.





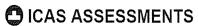


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13 August 2020



Dear Parents,

RE: 2020 ICAS ASSESSMENTS AT RANDWICK BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

Please be advised of the ICAS Assessment dates shown below:

SUBJECT	ASSESSMENT DATE	Period
Science	Wednesday 19 August	Period 1 & 2
English	Tuesday 25 August	Period 3 & 4
Digital Technologies	Wednesday 26 August	Period 1 & 2
Spelling Bee (YR 7 only)	Tuesday 1 September	Period 3 & 4
Mathematics	Wednesday 2 September	Period 1 & 2

The ICAS Assessment will be completed online on the scheduled day in a computer room. Please ensure your son brings his headset and/or earphones on the day.

Should you have any queries or concerns, please contact me at the school on 9399 3122.

Yours sincerely,

**Amal Alaouie** 

ICAS Co-ordinator 2020



