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Guiding Young Men to Success

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Behavioural Economics Lecture by Dr Marjorie Spooner O'Neill for Year 11 Economics



Australian Geography Competition winners





Tuesday 16th August

It was great to see so many students and parents last week, for the Subject Selection evening, outlining expectations for the years ahead. Year 8 families were happy to hear of electives that are on offer at RBHS for Years 9 and 10. Year 10 families were also happy to hear of options for their Year 11 and 12 studies. One quick reminder that in Year 11 and 12, if RBHS doesn't offer a particular course, we can approach Randwick Girls' High School to see if they are willing to have our boys study in some of their courses (pending availability and space in courses). This is not a guarantee; however, we are happy to explore this as an option with RGHS. Alternatively, we are happy to assist RGHS students when they enquire about positions in senior courses, with one RGHS student producing an amazing major work in Technology Wood this year!

From the Principal

Year 4 visits

We welcome 300 Year 4 students on Tuesday 23rd August for our annual visit. Local Primary Schools will send their Year 4 students to us and they will experience High School for the first time! We have a variety of lessons for them to experience and enjoy their day in "big school". Ms Olsen has coordinated the event and our staff are always energised for the visit with students gleefully volunteering to assist.

Soccer update

It is my great pleasure to inform our school community that Randwick Boys' High School has made the grand final of the state wide knockout Soccer Puma Cup tournament! Mr Maunder's men beat Coffs Harbour Senior School 4 to 1 in the semi final this week. The grand final will be played at Sutherland on the 31st August at 5pm. We are hoping to organise some buses for students who want to attend and then return to RBHS following the match. We will keep our community posted on the details. Well done to all students involved in the squad and advancing to the grand final.



Leadership Investiture

Ms Fulton has finalised elected students for all Student Representative Council positions for the remainder of the year and 2023. We are inducting all elected students at the Leadership Investiture on Friday 2nd September. We are inviting all families of students to join us celebrating our newest leaders, at this time. Unfortunately, we will not be able to have the whole school attend or a morning tea afterwards, due to current suggested protocols. Hopefully next year, our annual investiture is able to be celebrated in the traditional way, with the whole school attending and a celebratory morning tea afterwards.



Consent Labs

Mr Benson, our Welfare Coordinator, has been busy organising a well known company to deliver an important message to all students in our school. Consent Labs will, over the next few weeks, be holding student workshops surrounding consent. It is extremely important that all students engage in these presentations and take away the important messages from them. The Consent Lab presentation is for all families from Randwick Boys' High School and Randwick Girls' High School. The two P & C's have liaised regarding the labs and have encouraged all interested parents/guardians to register and attend. The P & C has also coordinated an informal BBQ before the scheduled start of the event, so families can enjoy a bite and get to know each other. Our hard working P & C will advertise the event in their pages of the newsletter and Facebook page etc, so please keep an eye out and support these Consent Labs for parents.

Lance Raskall
Principal



COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 3	
Week 6	Week B /Events
Monday 22 August	Homework Centre, 3:30 - 5pm
Thursday 25 August	Excursion: Year 7 Science, Taronga Zoo, all day HSC Creative & Performing Arts Night, 6 - 8pm, Music block Homework Centre, 3:30 - 5pm

Reporting on the Honour Roll

The RBHS Honour Roll is a board of names of graduated students from Randwick Superior School (Randwick Boys' High School's predecessor) who enlisted in the Australian Imperial Force during the First World War. The students in 10 Extension History have been researching some of these old boys using the Australian War Memorial website to see if we can find the person who went to our old school, and share information about them starting with only their surname and first initial.

We started by putting in their names. My chosen name being Q Bone in the people search option on the AWM website. Then, using the honour roll, we would search through the names to see which person was from Randwick Superior School. Luckily, there was only one person that came up with this name - Quintin Bone.

After that we could get some information through clicking on the link that is their name with the AWM's features, which allows a few details to be shown about the soldier, such as his service number (3774) and rank (private). We also looked at the National Australian Archives, which used a more in-depth form of data collection, because it would find a person for the war and compiles many sheets of primary documents regarding the individual, ranging from personal information, registration sheets and information dictating their duties and experiences during service.



I first had to establish whether I had the correct record of the person I was researching. I attempted to find this information by using the National Australian Archives to determine his identity. I worked out the person I was searching for had enlisted under the very generic name of Robert Campbell, but the fact of the matter is that he is the only one under the name of Quintin Bone, and there is a person with that name on the honour roll, so I concluded that it must be him. I also discovered that later he filled out official forms to fully recognise that his name is Quintin Bone. It is a mystery why he enlisted under a completely different name than the one he later used. He must have been hiding his true identity when he signed up.

Fortunately, there were records dictating that he had returned to Australia but not much more. It was also lucky that there were a few pieces of information surrounding Bone, such as his pay rate and the ship on which he had embarked to go to war. I was also able to find some records of the places he served in the 30th Battalion.



The 30th Battalion in the forward area trenches near Zillebeke, in the Ypres Sector.

This task was quite fascinating as I was able to look into the past of not only WWI, but a very personal look of someone who had attended the predecessor school of Randwick Boys' High School. I learned a great deal of information about the individual I researched and enjoyed it thoroughly.



Lachlan Coombes (Yr 10)



Australian Geography Competition winners



Behavioural Economics Lecture by Dr Marjorie Spooner O'Neill for Year 11 Economics

On Friday, 29 September, Dr Marjorie O'Neill [BA, BBus(Hons), PhD] MP attended Randwick Boys' High School to deliver a 50 minute lecture to Year 11 Economics students on the subject of Behavioural Economics. The focus of the lecture were two case studies that are currently being debated by Members of Parliament that demonstrated how economic policies can shape social outcomes. The two case studies were fascinating. As a regulatory issue Dr O'Neill debated the causes of gender inequality in superannuation. As an issue of fiscal policy, Dr O'Neill examined the positive and negative effects of the current cap on government subsidy for childcare places.

All students were engaged, enthused, and exhilarated by the presentation and the debates involved. As part of the Year 11 course, this was a real-life exercise in economic thinking with a member of parliament who debates and creates these policies. Dr Marjorie O'Neill helped illuminate the effect of government policies, both fiscal and regulatory, in a way that will hopefully inspire students to continue in this field.

It was a fantastic experience all round.

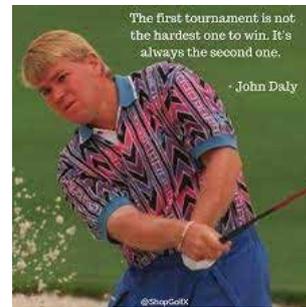


M Harris
Head Teacher Social Science



Grade sport report

This week was Week 3 of the new grade sports season and the third week of grade sports trials. RBHS has entered the following sports in grade sports competitions: cricket, volleyball, league tag, futsal, and basketball. Grade teams are starting to take shape. Mr Maunder is looking to take his success from the Puma Cup Soccer Competition into this season as the league tag coach. He is keen to show the sporting world that he is not a one-trick pony and more of a jack of all trades. This trial period will wrap up next week and the season will commence the following week. As a school, we wish all the boys who are trialling for the various teams the best of luck.



Around The Grounds

A special mention this week goes to our Vice-Captain Joshua Todd (Yr 12). Joshua is an exceptional golfer and has achieved tremendous success in his young career already. Last school holidays Joshua competed in his first international invitational tournament in New York, USA. Joshua displayed his ability to the golfing world and not only showed that he belongs on the world stage, but he was also the eventual winner of that competition. Joshua has been selected in the NSWCHS U18's golfing team and will be competing in the Australian School Boys Competition this weekend in Melbourne. Joshua is already a member of the Australian U18's team outside of school competitions and will head back overseas to Canada in late September to return to the world stage. Well done, Joshua, and good luck in the upcoming tournaments!



D Bester
Relieving Sports Coordinator

Our next webinar will be focusing exclusively on **Note Taking**, and how parents can help their children take better notes at home. I've included all the details you'll need below to promote this webinar to your parents:

Wednesday 24th August @ 6:30pm (AEST) ***How to Help Your Child Write Better Notes***

Here's what Elevate will be covering:

- ✓ The most effective way to structure notes
- ✓ The 3 levels of acquiring knowledge and how to implement this with your child at home
- ✓ The power of deliberate practice and the fastest way for your child to improve their marks.

As always, to help make your life a little easier we have included promotional material below to help you advertise the webinars to your parent body. Simply click a button below, and we'll send you the promotional materials you need:

[Get Email/Newsletter Promotional
Templates](#)

[Get Social Media Promotional Templates](#)

We look forward to seeing your parents online then!

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. During Covid-19 restrictions, meetings will be held via Zoom. All welcome!



COMING UP...

- **TUE 23 Aug** - P&C General Meeting 7:00pm
- **SUN 28 Aug**: P&C BBQ & Cake Stall 10am-3pm
- **TUE 30 Aug** - Consent Labs Parent Seminar 6:30-8pm

All Welcome!

For meeting links, please join our mailing list:
<http://eepurl.com/ggUloz>

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TOURNAMENT OF THE MINDS P&C BBQ & CAKE STALL | SUN 28 AUGUST



If you're thinking about putting your hand up to help on **Sunday 28 August** with the P&C BBQ and Cake Stall for the Tournament of the Minds Regional Finals, **now's the time!** There are plenty of spots still open and **just over a week** to go. Sweet or savoury treats for the cake stall would also be extremely welcome. Please let us know what you can do using the code or link. Come along to help raise funds for our students (and have some fun!) - your support will make all the difference!



<https://forms.gle/XxF7DbB35eNdNaUk9>



We would also love to run a **fundraising raffle** on the day. Please let us know if you can donate prizes for gift baskets or if you have any contacts who may be able to help either through the form or via info@randwickboysandc.org.au.

RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS | TUESDAY 30 AUGUST 6:30pm

How are the conversations with your teens about respectful relationships and consent? A bit awkward or could land better? We have a parent/carer session that's just for you!

Randwick Boys' and Randwick Girls' P&Cs are excited to be teaming up Consent Labs for a **RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS** seminar specifically for parents and carers. They will share invaluable practical tips for getting our conversations about respect right.

It's **free** to attend thanks to P&C sponsorship.

Join us in-person at RBHS or online for the live stream.

Register on the link below or use the QR Code..

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/401545602707>



RBHS SRC's fundraising Sausage Sizzle from 5.45pm



We acknowledge and pay respect to the past, present and future Traditional Custodians and Elders of this nation and the continuation of cultural, spiritual and educational practices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



PC NEWS



P&C WORKING BEE | SAT 10 SEPT



The Sustainability Sub-Committee is keeping busy with the organisation of the **Queen's Jubilee Tree Planting** event at the school on Saturday, 10th September. There will be a working bee to plant the Golden Panda tree and rejuvenate the **Anzac Memorial Garden** area in the front of the school.

Everyone in our school community is welcome to join us for a day (or an hour or two!) of work and fun. To thank our volunteers, we will be providing a **free catered lunch**. Please let us know if you have any special dietary requirements so we can make sure we have something for everyone. Please bring a hat and your own gardening gloves if you can. Just in case, we'll have some available on the day, along with sunscreen. There are plenty of jobs to do, you don't have to have a green thumb! Don't forget to register so we have the numbers for the catering!

When? 10am - 2pm, **Saturday 10 September 2022**



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CALLING ALL BAKERS! | RAINBOW CAKE STALL THURSDAY 25 AUGUST



Please remember to support our students by sending in sweet or savoury treats for their inaugural **Rainbow Cake Stall** on **Thursday 25th August**. This is a great chance to get colourful and creative while helping our students celebrate **Wear It Purple Day** and raise funds to support a local charity. Donations can be dropped to the School Office in the morning (or the afternoon before if they don't require refrigeration).



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P&C NEWS



P&C MEETING TUESDAY 23 AUGUST | ZOOM IN AT 7PM



Please remember to join us on Zoom for our August meeting next **Tuesday at 7pm**. We'll be updating everyone on what's been happening in the School and with the P&C. Hear about our upcoming events, including the **Tournament of the Minds fundraising BBQ and Cake Stall on Sunday 28 August**, the **RBHS & RGHS Respectful Relationships Seminar for parents and carers on Tuesday 30 August**, and the **P&C Working Bee on Saturday 10 September!** We'll also have an update from Deputy Principal Emma Payne on the plans for introducing **Yondr pouches** at RBHS, a hot topic in recent *SMH* articles. Sign up for the meeting link at <http://eepurl.com/ggUloz>.

A Sydney high school banned mobile phones. It had dramatic results

By Andrew Taylor
August 7, 2022 – 5:00am

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A Sydney high school has seen a dramatic decrease in behavioural issues and a boost in physical activity and students talking to each other just two months after it tightened restrictions on mobile phone usage.

High school phone ban 'more urgent than ever' amid pressure on teens

By Lucy Carroll
August 14, 2022 – 5:00am

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A blanket ban on mobile phone use in NSW high schools is "more urgent than ever" after years of academic disruption and soaring screen use during the COVID-19 pandemic, warns the psychologist who led the 2018 review into mobiles in schools.



WHAT'S HAPPENING...



Sydney Science Trail - FREE Community Saturday at The Australian Museum



Join the Australian Museum for a one-day science bonanza jam-packed with workshops, science shows and activities for kids of all ages! Admission is free but registration is essential! Book your morning or afternoon sessions here: <https://australian.museum/event/sydney-science-trail/>

When? Saturday 20 August 2022



Lionel Bowen Young Writers' Award | "The Next Step"

Calling all budding **short story writers** and **poets**! Randwick City Library, UNSW and Juvenilia Press are seeking to uncover the writing talents of young people in Randwick City. This year's theme is "The Next Step", with Junior (Years 7-9) and Senior (Years 10-12) divisions for both short stories (max 2,000 words) and poetry (max 30 lines). Winners receive cash prizes and will have their submissions published in an eBook. Time to unleash your creativity!

When? Entries close **Wednesday 31 August 2022**



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Respectful Relationships

getting conversations about respect right
parent + carer seminar



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When: 6.30pm, Tuesday, 30th August

Where: RBHS Library or online



RBHS SRC's fundraising
Sausage Sizzle from 5.45pm

Register →
via the QR Code





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VALID SCIENCE 10

The *Validation of Assessment 4 Learning & Individual Development (VALID)* test for Year 10 students will be held at Randwick Boys' High School on:
Monday August 29, during periods 1 and 2.

At Randwick Boys' High, students who receive special provisions when attempting exams, usually go to the ILC for separate, small group supervision. They may also receive extra time to complete the exam. These students have been given a consent form to take home. This form must be signed by a parent and returned to Ms Betros as soon as possible.

Closer to the date of the exam, the Year 10 students will receive information about which computer room they will go to. All students are expected to bring headphones that can be plugged into a computer. Stores like Kmart and The Reject Shop sell headphones for as little as \$2. *Airpods and wireless headphones must not be brought to the exam room.*

Students will be given the opportunity to do practice exams in school time.

More details about the examination, provided by the NSW Department of Education, can be found on the other side of this page.

Kind regards, on behalf of the Science Faculty,

Ms T Betros

Head Teacher Science

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Dear Year 10 Parent or Carer

The *Validation of Assessment for Learning & Individual Development* (VALID) test for Year 10 students will be held between **Monday 29 August** and **Friday 9 September 2022**. The test takes approximately 75 minutes. The **VALID Science 10** test is an interactive, multimedia test completed entirely on a computer.

VALID Science 10 contains multiple choice, short response and extended response tasks that are grouped around real-world issues, including scientific investigations. This is a diagnostic test, with tasks framed on Stage 5 outcomes and essential content in the *NSW Science Years 7–10 Syllabus (2018)*. Students will be tested on their:

- knowledge and understanding of science
- understanding and skills in the process of scientific investigation
- ability to evaluate evidence, make judgements and think critically
- ability to access information and communicate scientific ideas.

Students also complete a survey about their opinions, attitudes, and values about science.

VALID Science 10 contains audio, so each student needs to bring suitable **headphones or earbuds** that connect to a device. Schools will indicate if students need their own device.

If your child has a disability that needs special consideration or has been educated in English for less than one year, please contact your child's school to discuss special provisions or exemption from the test.

Results of the test will be available during Term 4, 2022. Information about each student is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that the right to privacy of all students is maintained. A personalised electronic report describing the knowledge and skills demonstrated by your child in the test will be available from their school. There will also be information about how your child's results compare with overall performance of all students in the test across NSW.

The principal of your child's school can provide you with more details about the VALID program if you require additional information.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P Wood'.

Paul Wood
Executive Director, Educational Standards

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Wear it Purple Day

Everyone is welcome to join



Bake Sale on 25th August, Thursday
Basketball Match on 26th August, Friday



Randwick Boys' High School
Presents

Creative & Performing Arts Night

25th August 6pm-8pm

6pm – Poetry (Music Block)

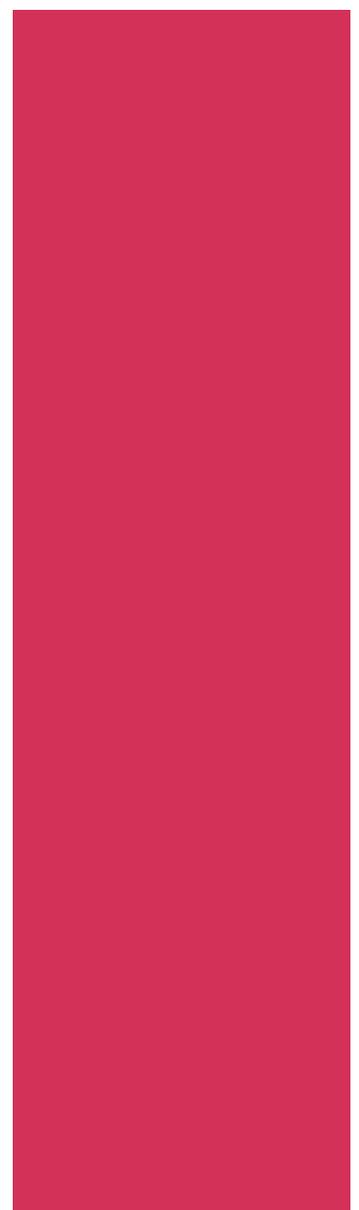
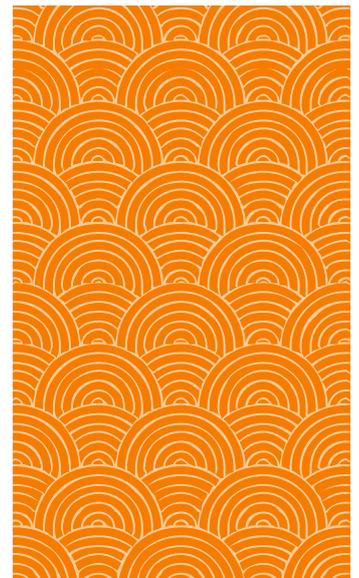
6:10 – Dramatic Production (COLA)

6:30 – Visual Art & TAS (Music Block)

7.15pm – Concert (Music Block)

Location: Music block at RBHS campus

Light refreshments will be provided



Lionel Bowen

2022 YOUNG WRITERS' AWARD

ENTER NOW FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN!

Enter your poetry and short stories.
WIN cash prizes, books and more.

ENTRIES CLOSE 31 AUGUST 2022

To register, or for more information
visit randwick.nsw.gov.au/library/award
or phone 9093 6400.



upcoming sessions



Parents, Carers, and Community Members in South Eastern Sydney are invited to attend a free mental health education session in Term 3.



The sessions aim to:

- Strengthen your understanding of mental health definitions.
- Enhance your conversational approach to mental health and well-being.
- Build skills and strategies to support young people, including transition to work and study.
- Build awareness of local, state and national supports available to young people.
- Increase your knowledge & understanding of the mental health challenges facing young people today.
- Introduce you to some of the skills and strategies to encourage and support help-seeking.



Navigating uncertainty and change

Date: Wednesday, 10 August 2022

Time: 6:30 pm – 7:45 pm AEST

Location: Online webinar

Registration: <https://bit.ly/3l5Avl9>



Connecting and communicating with our young person

Date: Tuesday, 13 September 2022

Time: 6:30 PM – 7:45 PM AEST

Location: Online webinar

Registration: <https://bit.ly/3y6uNRO>



For more information

Contact us at programsupport@headspace.org.au



headspace National Youth Mental Health Foundation is funded by the Australian Government Department of Health

UNIFORM REMINDER

Randwick Boys' High School students take pride in their school and sports uniforms. It is essential that you wear your uniform correctly at all times, or you will face sanctions.

If you must come to school out of uniform for any reason, you must bring a note from your parent or caregiver outlining the reason, with a date and signed by your parent.

The correct school uniform is:

- White button shirt – short-sleeve or long-sleeve (with logo)
- Grey shorts or long grey trousers
- Green fleecy jacket (with logo)
- Green wool jumper (with logo)
- Green vest (with logo)
- White socks
- Black leather lace-up school shoes
- School blazer (optional)
- School tie (optional)

Correct school shoes:



Incorrect school shoes:



All items are available at LOWES Eastgardens (except for school shoes).

School ties are available from the Front Office at the price of \$16.

The correct sports uniform is:

- Green/white sports polo shirt (with logo)
- Sports shorts (with logo)
- Sports jacket (with logo)
- Green track pants (with logo)
- Rugby/soccer socks (if necessary)
- Sports shoes

All items are available at LOWES Eastgardens (except for sports shoes).

Remember to clearly label uniform with your name.