

**RESPECT
RESPONSIBILITY
COMMITMENT**

CALENDAR

2nd December-Yr 7
2015 Parent Info Night
3rd December-Yr 7
2015 Orientation Day
15th December -
Presentation Day
15,16.17th December-
End of year activities
17th December-last day
for students
18,19th December-SDD
(Staff only)

**OFFICE OPENING
HOURS**

Please be aware the office is open Monday to Friday between 8am and 4pm. Outside office hours a message may be left on the school answering machine.

Parents and caregivers are reminded an appointment is necessary before meeting with teachers as they have class, playground duty and other commitments during the school day.

RUTHERFORD TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



28th November, 2014
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IT'S ABOUT TO BEGIN.....



SENIOR EXECUTIVE REPORT

PARENTS WISHING TO CONTACT THEIR STUDENTS

Parents in need of contacting their students by mobile phone are requested not to do so during class time as it has caused major disruption (and often conflict) for teachers conducting their lesson. If your student needs to be contacted in an emergency, please do so through the school administration office, stating that it is an emergency, and we will organise for your student to come from class immediately.

Further, teachers are reporting increasing difficulties with students inappropriately using mobile phones in class. We ask that parents reinforce the school's policy about mobile phone use.

UPGRADE STAGE 1.

The upgrade is underway! Student entry and exit arrangements as from Monday 24th November until further notice are as follows:

Entry to the school in the morning:

Gate between the industrial arts block and the industrial arts demountable will be open of a morning. Students must enter through this gate only and walk through industrial arts.

Students are not to enter through bottom car park prior to 9 am.

Late arrivals after 9 am come through bottom car park.

End of day:

Exit by back gate or by Industrial Arts walkway.

Students are not permitted to exit through the bottom car park .

Bus students will exit via Industrial Arts and walk through to bus COLA. The Bus COLA will be fenced off so it can still be used.

Movement around the school:

Canteen COLA area will be closed off, as will the green area and basketball courts.

Access to PE and back playground will be around the back of the Science block.

There will be no access to the bottom car park or, past the administration block.

Car parking:

The main (top) car park will be closed.

Parents and students are not to drive into the bottom staff car parks at all as space is severely limited. This area is also a drop off area for service goods trucked into the school and emergency vehicles; ambulance, police.

These arrangements have being closely monitored this week before and after school to ensure compliance. We are pleased to report that students have adjusted to the changes responsibly.

In ensuring that the new arrangements got off to a smooth start we have, however, noticed that some parents are double parking at the front of the school to drop off their students. We are advised that this practice is illegal and that Avery Street is being monitored by the Police.

THE ROUNDABOUT

If your student travels home via the Weblands Street roundabout, please advise them about the need to think safety and act safely when crossing here. We have had a number of concerns expressed to us by members of the public regarding students acting in an unsafe manner.

TERM 1 2015

Teachers return Tuesday 27th January.

Years 7, 11 and 12 return Wednesday 28th January with years 8, 9 and 10 returning Wednesday 29th January.

AND FINALLY...

This is the last time I will communicate with our community through the school newsletter as I retire at the end of this year after 38 years teaching in NSW public schools, the last 14 years as Deputy Principal at Rutherford Technology High School.

In my retirement, I will continually look forward to hearing about the great achievements of our students by reading about them in the newspapers, hearing about them on TV or radio, or from students that I may meet at the footy or down the street, and from the contacts I will keep with teachers at our school. I will look forward to hearing about the great things our students have done and will continue to do in the community, in their learning, in sport and in creative pursuits, on excursions, supporting others.... and above all, just being nice people.

I have always made a point in farewelling year 12 from the school by saying that *"at Rutherford Technology High School, we never say goodbye....just see you later"*. So now it's my turn to say see you later.

Regards,

Greg Archbold

Deputy Principal

WE WILL MISS YOU



SPECIAL EDUCATION FACULTY REPORT

On Monday and Tuesday of week 8, twenty three support students, six staff and one student leader travelled to Sydney by train to embark upon a sailing adventure. Thanks to a wonderful volunteer organisation SAILORS WITH DISABILITIES, all of the students had the opportunity to steer a yacht which has competed in the Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race, raising and trimming the sails, operating the winch and ducking below the sail while tacking across Sydney Harbour. We sailed past iconic landmarks, including the Sydney Opera House, Luna Park, The Harbour Bridge and Fort Denison. It was an unforgettable experience.

The students also had the choice of visiting Luna Park or The Sydney Aquarium and Darling Harbour. We all stayed at the Sydney Harbour YHA with views of the harbour, the bridge and visiting cruise ships. We walked and walked the streets of Sydney (with only a little complaining) and caught buses, trains and ferries to get to all of our activities. We then rushed to Central Station to make our train home without a second to spare. We definitely crammed in as much as possible to those two days.

The students did themselves proud with extremely cooperative behaviour and a wonderful "can do" attitude. They pushed themselves beyond what they believed they could do and walked farther than they ever thought possible. Thank you to my wonderful staff who worked tirelessly to plan the activities and supervise the students to make sure everyone had lots of opportunities to practise their life skills while having a thoroughly enjoyable and memorable time.

Lyn Walkerden (HT Special Education)



Rutherford Technology High School

Ready for High School Checklist

Tick each item when it has been done (not all tasks will apply to you)

2014

- ◊ RETURN ENROLMENT FORM INCLUDING MEDICAL INFORMATION TO THE HIGH SCHOOL.
- ◊ PURCHASE UNIFORMS FROM RTHS UNIFORM SHOP, OPEN TUESDAY MORNING AND THURSDAY AFTERNOON.
- ◊ ATTEND PARENT EVENING—CLASS INFORMATION WILL BE RELEASED, MEET TEACHERS, PURCHASE UNIFORMS AND BOOK PACKS AND PAY FEES.
- ◊ ATTEND ORIENTATION DAY—UNDERTAKE TASTER LESSONS, GET TO KNOW YOUR PEER SUPPORT LEADER.

2015

- ◊ LABEL ALL SCHOOL ITEMS
- ◊ BREAK IN SCHOOL SHOES (BLACK LEATHER) TO MAKE THEM MORE COMFORTABLE
- ◊ PACK BAG THE NIGHT BEFORE INCLUDING SPORTS UNIFORM
- ◊ BRING YOUR TIMETABLE EACH DAY
- ◊ PACK LUNCH OR HAVE MONEY TO BUY LUNCH AT CANTEEN.
- ◊ KNOW HOW YOU ARE GETTING TO AND FROM SCHOOL—BUS, WALKING , BEING PICKED UP

KEY DATES

TUESDAY 2ND
DECEMBER.

- Parent information evening. Starting at 5.30pm in library

WEDNESDAY 3RD
DECEMBER.

- Orientation Day 9.30-3pm.

WEDNESDAY 28TH
JANUARY

- First day for Year 7 students

IMPRESSIONS 10.

Congratulations to the 161 Year 10 students who presented for the 'Impressions 10' interviews on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week.

Community and staff members on the panels were extremely impressed with the majority of students for their maturity, appearance, preparation of their portfolios and interview skills. The Yr 9 students who were panel members were also commended for their involvement, initiative and sensibility during the process.

Twenty two students were awarded High Distinctions and their efforts need to be acknowledged.

Caitlyn Bailey	Troy Gibbs	Caitlin Pettit	Jocelyn Ware
Stephen Batchelor	Maddison Horne	Tara Potter	Ryan Peters
Jessica Bonnici	Emily Lambourne	Grace Quilty	Liam Faustini
Kate Butler	Nicholas Newell-Hill	Callum Ritchie	
Eula Pacamalan	Rachel Swan	Bella Diaz	

Thirty seven students earned Distinctions and forty three Credits were awarded. These results are outstanding. Well done to those Year 10 participants.

Mrs Marilyn Porter

School Community Liaison Officer



Mr Steve Edwards, Derrick Vale, Whitney Evans and Mrs Brenda Carlyle



Liam Faustini, Jared Hughes, Ephream Osborne



Lucy Cooper, Lucy's grandmother, Sally Foote

SENIOR STUDY NEWSLETTER

Term 4:

Week: 8

The end of the year is fast approaching but there is still a lot of work to do! There are a number of assessment tasks due in the next few weeks. Please make sure you are checking your assessment schedules, ask your teacher to confirm the dates and check the senior study for reminders.

Classwork also needs to be kept up to date and you can utilise your time in the Senior Study to work on these tasks. Also, there are some workshops being offered at the moment regarding researching skills, writing skills, and referencing. If you need assistance with anything to do with your school work, please make sure you are asking your teachers as well as those in the senior study.

Classwork:

Please see your class teachers for the homework and revision tasks you need to have completed this week. Some of these include PIP work for Society & Culture and studying for Advanced & Extension Maths.

Assessment Tasks:

The table below outlines the assessment tasks due for Term 4, 2014. Check with your teacher for confirmation of dates as they may have changed.

Subject	Task Description	Week Due
Food technology	Food manufacture	7 + 8
English Advanced	The Motorcycle diaries visual representation	8
English Studies	English in Film Making	9
Fasttrack	WHS Report	8
General Maths 2	Written Class Test	8
Maths Extension 1	Written Class Test	8
Maths Advanced	Written Class Test	8
Maths General 1	Written Class Test	8
Senior Science	First Hand Investigation	8
SLR	First Aid and Sports Injuries	8
Construction	Tiling	8
Metal and Engineering	Routine Workshop Operations	8
Primary Industries	Muster Up	8
Work Studies	WHS Report	8

Belinda Boughton



TERM 1 SPORT 2015

There will be a price reduction for bus sports in Term 1 2015, the new price will be \$30 for the term. Notes will be handed to students very soon and you will be able to pay for these bus fees during week 9 and 10 in the front office. Payments can also be made over the phone during this time as well.

Due to ongoing construction work on the premises of RTHS, we are hoping to see an increased number of students who will select bus sports to ease the pressure on sports running here at school. Students and parents should be aware that there will also be limited shaded areas available for school sports as well.

We strongly urge students to consider selecting a bus sport in Term 1 and take advantage of the varied and exciting sports offered at RTHS.

Mr Nick Bower

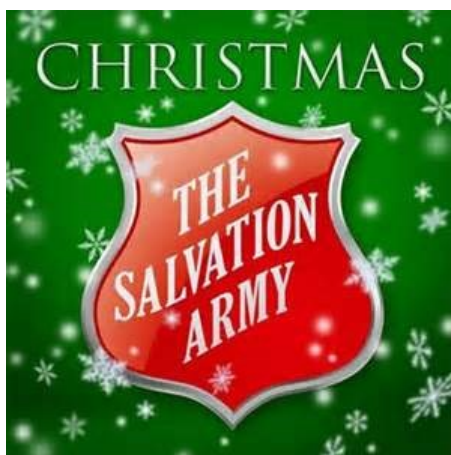
Ms Madi Thompson

Sports Dept

END OF YEAR ACTIVITIES



There is still an opportunity for students to take part in end of year activities. A day at the movies watching a new release film sitting in cool air conditioning, playing tenpin bowls with your friends. There are lots of different activities still available. Please see Miss Hornery or the Front Office for permission notes.



SALVATION ARMY CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL

The Salvation Army at Rutherford are in the process of collecting tinned goods and clothing for their Christmas hampers. The 'Army' provide a major support service for families in our community. RTHS supports their Christmas hamper project. Students are encouraged to donate tinned / non perishable goods to the Front Office by early December.

SCHOOL LOCKERS STILL AVAILABLE



Just a quick message to let parents know that a limited number of lockers are available to hire. Students with health conditions, such as back problems, may be especially interested as they can leave heavy text books there instead of carrying them around all day. The hire costs \$20 and runs from term 4, 2014 to the end of term 3, 2015. Some students share a locker and this cost with a friend. Pay the front office and see Mrs Clarke in the Visual Arts Staffroom to be allocated a locker.

RUTHERFORD High School

Uniform Shop Special Opening Hours

2014 - 2015



DECEMBER 2014

TUESDAY	2. DEC (YR 6 INFO NIGHT)	4.00pm- 7.00pm
THURSDAY	4. DEC	12.30pm- 4.30pm
TUESDAY	9. DEC	8.00am- 12.00pm
THURSDAY	11. DEC	12.30pm- 4.30pm
TUESDAY	16. DEC	8.00am- 12.00pm

JANUARY 2015

TUESDAY	20. JAN	8.00am- 12.00pm
WEDNESDAY	21. JAN	8.00am- 2.00pm
THURSDAY	22. JAN	8.00am- 2.00pm
FRIDAY	23. JAN	8.00am- 2.00pm
MONDAY	26. JAN (PUBLIC HOLIDAY)	-
TUESDAY	27. JAN (Pupil Free Day)	8.00am- 2.00pm
WEDNESDAY	28. JAN (Yrs 7, 11, 12 Return)	8.00am- 2.00pm
THURSDAY	29. JAN (Yrs 8, 9, 10 Return)	8.00am- 2.00pm

THEN EVERY

TUESDAY:

8.00 - 12.00

THURSDAY:

12.30 - 4.30

PRICE LIST / ORDER FORM ON THE BACK

MASTERCARD, VISA & EFTPOS ACCEPTED

Rutherford Technology High School UNIFORM SHOP

PRICE LIST

ITEM	PRICE	SIZE	QTY	TOTAL INCL GST
Girls				
Jnr Blouse Sky	28.00			
Snr Blouse Lemon	28.00			
Jnr/Snr Girls Shorts	35.00			
Jnr Skirt	48.50			
Snr Skirt	48.50			
Bootleg slacks	39.00			
Boys				
Jnr/Snr Boys Shorts	35.00			
Jnr/Snr Trousers	39.00			
Unisex				
Fleecy Jacket	40.00			
Jnr Polo	29.00			
Snr Polo	29.00			
Elastic Waist Everyday Black Shorts	35.00			
Elastic Waist Everyday Black Long Pants	39.00			
Jumpers				
Jumper	72.00			
Sports				
Jacket	65.00			
Sports Shorts Std	25.00			
Trackpant	38.00			
Sports Polo	35.00			
Others				
Scarf	20.00			
Socks 5pr	20.00			

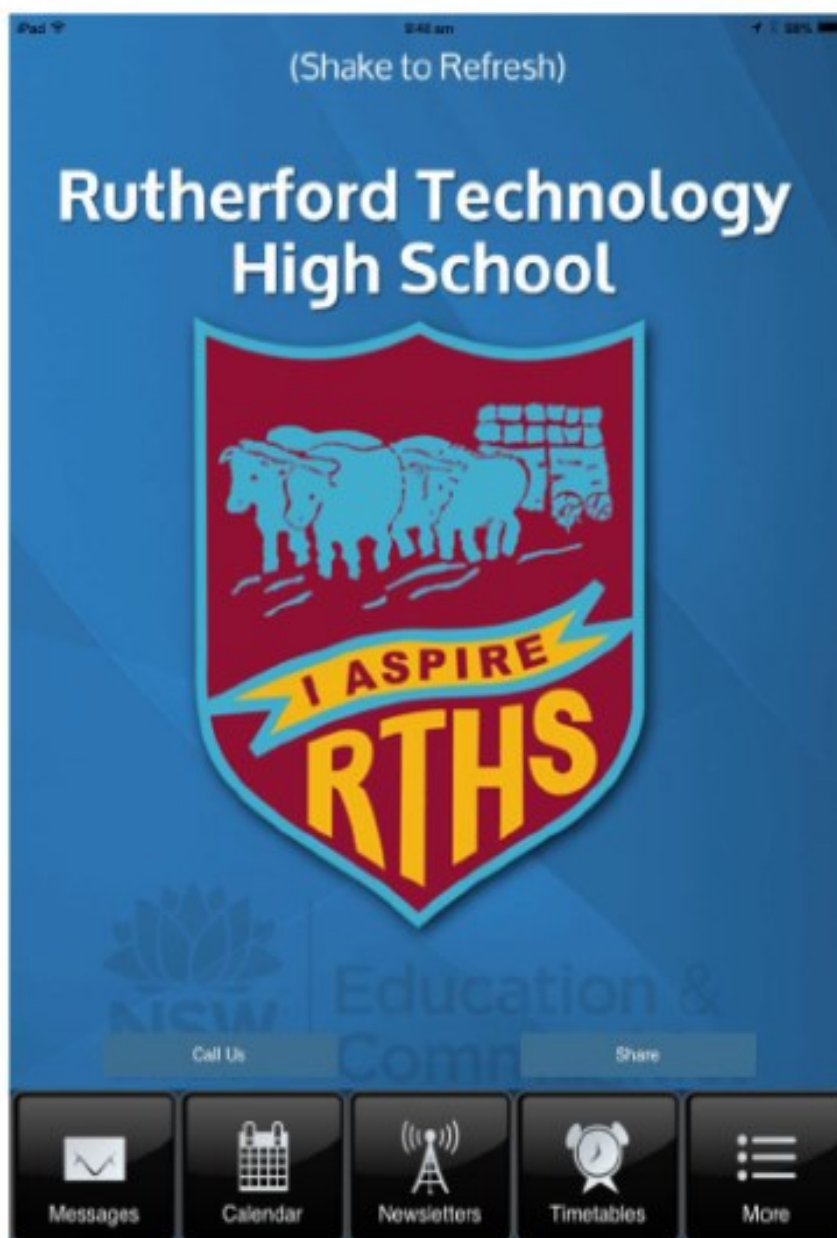
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Available on the
App Store

Rutherford Technology High School now has a Phone App!

Great News! Our school now has a mobile phone and iPad app. What's that you may ask, it is a little application that sits on your phone and gives you instant access to our school information when you click on it, 24/7. The app is going to give parents the ability to instantly access newsletters without going to the website, or to send in a sick note while you stand outside the school because you forgot to write a paper note! We will be sharing many of the other features with you over the coming weeks, but for now download it to your Smartphone or iPad by going to either the Apple App Store or Android Google Play Market and search for Rutherford Technology High. Once you have found it press install or download.



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Rutherford Technology High School has launched its Official Facebook Page – just go to Facebook and look for “Rutherford Technology High School NSW Official Site” and click on “Like”.

We will be using the Facebook page to keep everyone informed about events at the school, important dates for your diary, and general information about the school.

Link: <http://www.facebook.com/RutherfordTechnologyHighSchool>





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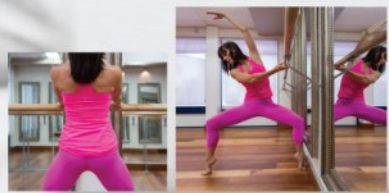
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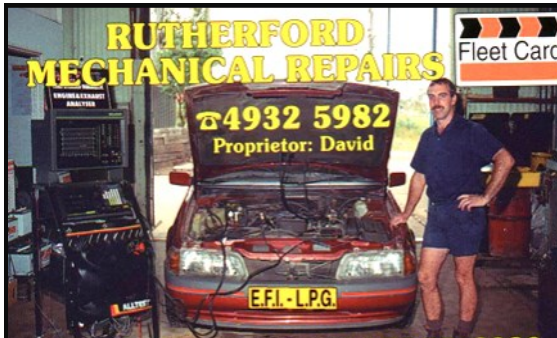
CANTEEN ROSTER



1 December	K Cresswell
2 December	Volunteer required
3 December	Volunteer required
4 December	D Potts
5 December	Volunteer required
8 December	K Cresswell
9 December	Volunteer required
10 December	Volunteer required
11 December	D Potts
12 December	Volunteer required

RUTHERFORD MECHANICAL REPAIRS

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Proprietor: David



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