

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

**29 January 2018** -  
SDD (no students)  
**30 January** - Year 7, 11  
& 12 commence  
**31 January** - Years 8,  
9, & 10 commence  
**8 February** -  
Swimming Carnival at  
Maitland Pool

## OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Please be aware the office is open Monday to Friday between 8:00am and 4:00pm. 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.

## P & C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be held early next year, the date will be advised. All welcome to attend.

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# RUTHERFORD TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



15th December 2017  
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## RTHS YEAR 7 2018 ORIENTATION DAY

In week 9, RTHS hosted over 200 students for the Year 7 2018 Orientation Day. Students participated in many activities, including taster lessons and the selection of their CCC Projects. We extend our congratulations to our Year 10 peer support leaders who expertly ran two peer support sessions on the day and demonstrated great maturity and leadership.

*Ms Shanelle Muller*

*Year 7 Year Adviser 2018*



## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### PRESENTATION DAY

We celebrated everything great about Rutherford Technology School with a fantastic presentation assembly on Monday 11 December. It was great to see so many students being recognised for their achievements.

### THANK YOU EVERYONE

As the year comes to a close can I thank the many people who help make my job easy and Rutherford Technology High School the great public school it is:

The many sponsors that enable so many programs to run in the school.

The P&C for being the great people you are and helping to resource so many things in the school. They do need more support though. We are half way to having enough money to buy a 24 seater bus.

Our business and community partners.

Our partner primary schools and in particular the Principals from each school who make the Rutherford Learning Community the great partnership it is.

Parents thank you for your support.

Thank you for the tireless work of my Deputies Mrs Hughes and Mrs Fabri

The great, hardworking staff both teaching and non-teaching we have in the school.

Have a safe, and happy Christmas break and I hope 2018 is prosperous for all of us.

### FAREWELLS

Thank you to the following staff who are leaving, or who have left us during the year. All these staff have positively contributed to the learning outcomes of our students:

Permanent staff members:

David Carratt (Maths) – retired after many dedicated years to RTHS.

Leisel Allen (PDHPE)

Temporary staff:

Alexandra Boyden (English)

Laura Gaynor (HSIE)

Jamie McSpadden (Maths)

Matthew Marselos (Support)

Julie Hull (Science)

Amy Stork (PDHPE)

Abby Hanks (SLSO)

Anita Moran (SLSO)

Leonie Sykes (SASS)

### STARTING DATES 2018

Monday 29 January – staff only

Tuesday 30 January – Years 7, 11 and 12

Wednesday 31 January – Years 8, 9 and 10

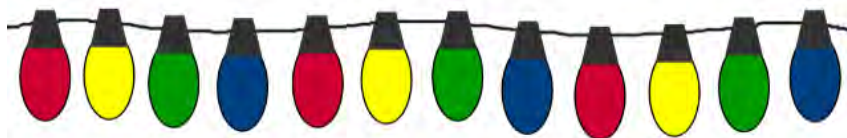
### MAGAZINE

The school magazine is a great representation of the many fantastic things that have happened in the school during 2017. It is available for sale at the front office.

### PARTNER PRIMARY SCHOOLS

It was, also, great to get out to many of our feeder primary schools' presentation days and celebrate the success of their students.

*Michael Whiting*  
*Principal*



Happy  
Holidays!



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Presentation Day  
11th December 2017



## ICT REPORT

Following the precedent set by years previous, 2017 has proven to be yet another big year for ICT. Overarching technological support and teachings have been provided both on a macroscopic and microscopic scale to enhance the technological experience for the school and student body alike.

This year some of our students were given the opportunity to attend the FIRST robotics competition finals. Following a talk by Google exploring the many varied career paths available within the realm of Computer Science, visit the robot pits, where teams readied their robots for competition. This proved to be a useful endeavor as later in the year, three teams from RHS represented their school with pride in the Hunter Region RoboCup Jr.

Further to this, students were given further opportunities to test their computing knowledge. This took the form of the University of New South Wales Programming Competition, and the GROK learning's online code development competition in which Kyle Dryden utilized his HTML5 knowledge to achieve a perfect result in Intermediate category.

In addition to the aforementioned hands-on experienced gained by our students this year, the following resources were implemented to enrich the classroom experience. These include:

The installation of an open plan learning area to facilitate peer based learning

Two laptop trollies and an additional 60 laptops

Renewed interactive whiteboards in A Block

Canvas an online learning and teaching tool.

Multiple new technologies to facilitate effective presentations in the Hall

Finally, the continued ICT support provided by our dedicated staff members has allowed for the efficient functioning of various award assemblies, MADD nights, staff presentations, and testing setups including the NAPLAN.

I would like to extend my gratitude to our illustrious ICT staff members Mr Graeme Buckie, Mr Peter Short, and Mr Helmut Wirth who continually go above and beyond to provide quality support and learning opportunities within our school community.

**Mr. J Marks**  
**HT ICT**



# THANK YOU

The students and staff of Rutherford Technology High School would like to thank the following businesses and community members for their support of their annual school presentation day:

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## WELLBEING NEWS

The end of year is a busy time for the Wellbeing Team as many of the programs which have been running this year begin to wrap up. Throughout 2017 the Wellbeing Team has implemented a range of programs and activities aimed at developing and strengthening positive relationships between students/students and students/teachers in order to develop a harmonious teaching and learning environment.

Throughout 2017 some of these programs have included the following:

Wellbeing Days all students 7-12  
Brainstorm Productions  
Brett Lee Cyberbullying presentation  
Lovebites Program for Year 10  
Plan-it Youth Mentoring program – targeted Year 10 students  
RUOK Day – whole school  
Peer Support Leaders Training – Year 10  
Peer Support Program – Year 7 run by Year 11 Peer Support leaders  
Peer Mediation Program – whole school  
Year 8 Camp  
Year Adviser end of year excursions to Luna Park, Wet'n'Wild  
Bullying: National Day of Action  
REACH Workshops – Year 8 and 10

As Head Teachers of Wellbeing we would like to sincerely thank the very hard working members of the Wellbeing Team for the support and care they have demonstrated towards the students of our school throughout the year. We are very fortunate to have such a dedicated and professional team of staff members who include the following:

	Year Adviser	Assistant Year Adviser
Year 7	Mallori Hedges	Matt Marselos
Year 8	Kegan Daly	Kristy Grant
Year 9	Josh Potapczyk	Amy Stork
Year 10	Emma Basedow	Matthew Robinson
Year 11	Loretta Wells	
Year 12	Graeme Buckie	

Christmas can be a tough time of year for families both emotionally and financially. Services available in the community include:

- **Lifeline** connects people with care by providing services in Suicide Prevention, Crisis Support and Mental Health Support – **13 11 14**
- **MensLine Australia** is a telephone and online support, information and referral service, helping men to deal with relationship problems – **1300 789 978**
- **Kids Helpline** is a counseling service for Australian children and young people aged between 5 and 25 years - **1800 55 1800**
- **1800 RESPECT** is a free confidential service for people experiencing or who have experienced domestic or family violence and/or sexual assault – **1800 737 732**
- **The Family Relationship Advice Line** is a national telephone service that assists families affected by relationship or separation issues – **1800 020 321**



## **TEENAGERS AND CELEBRATIONS**

Most young people go through this time of year having fun without any problems. Parents and carers can help to make celebrations and activities safer by talking with their teenagers. There are things you can do to reduce the chance of anything going wrong.

Try to keep up with what is going on in your child's life.

- Get to know their friends. You can be interested in their life yet still respect their need for privacy.
- Talk to your teenager about your concerns such as hosting a party, going to parties or having separate holidays. Find out more about your legal responsibilities.

Discussions about parties and celebrations can be made easier if you take time to chat with your son or daughter. Keep trying even if you are met with grunts or silence!

### **2018**

The Wellbeing team have been planning programs to conduct throughout the year to support student wellbeing. We are looking forward to expanding our team and implementing a number of wellbeing days throughout the year.

A special thanks to Graeme Buckie as outgoing Year 12 advisor, your contribution to our team has been valued. We would like to acknowledge Matt Marselos and Amy Stork for their work within the wellbeing team. The Wellbeing Team wishes all a very and safe Merry Christmas.

### **Head Teachers Wellbeing**

**Years 7, 9, 11 Louise Smailes**

**Years 8, 10, 12 Kristine Turner**

## **ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER NEWS**

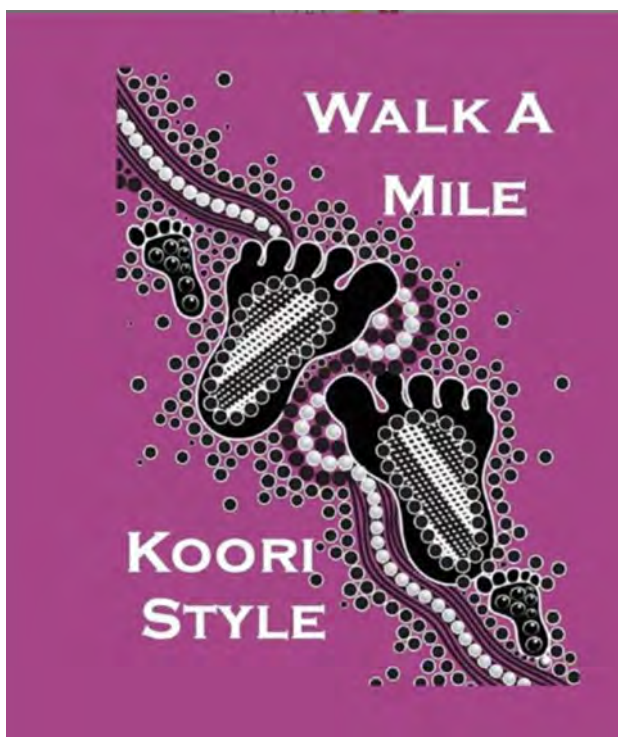
The Aboriginal Girls dance have been working extremely hard which has shown in their successful performances over the past week. We are looking forward to continuing our success next year – great work girls!

On Friday 1 December 2017 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and staff from Rutherford Technology High School proudly represented the school in the 'Walk-a-Mile Koori Style' event at Newcastle.

Walk-a-Mile Koori Style is an event to raise awareness and prevent domestic violence. The day was a great success and was enjoyed by all.

### **Chris Crump**

**Aboriginal Representative**



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING 2018 HUNTER SPORT TRIALS

We have been advised that the procedure to attend Hunter Sport Trials from next year has changed and students wishing to attend **MUST** follow the new online procedure or their nominations will not be accepted – student will **NOT** be able to attend a Hunter Trial with outdated information.

The Hunter Trial Book will **NO** longer be published and all information relating to trials is on the Hunter School Sport Website: <https://app.education.nsw.gov.au/sport/Hunter>

Important information:

Students are required to complete the specific sport requirements on the Hunter School Sport Website to be able to trial for a Hunter Team

When students attend trials they must have the Hunter Consent Form signed by school principal or nominated person and parent/caregiver along with all other completed information. If a student arrives at a trial without the Consent Form they will not be able to trial for the Hunter Team and therefore not be eligible for selection.

Please see below for step-by-step instructions on how to apply to attend a Hunter Region Trial as well as a Calendar of Events.

*There is a new School Sport Website and all information regarding Hunter trials has been up loaded. The web address is:*

<https://app.education.nsw.gov.au/sport/Hunter>

1. This takes you to the Hunter Sports Website



2. Click on the sport you are interested in trialling for on the right hand side under the Hunter logo **<Find event>**

3. Type in the event that you are wishing to trial for and click on the event.

4. Dialogue box with the information comes up, click on the **<more info>** tab on the bottom right



5. Takes you to the specific information, click on the **<+ symbol>** next to Additional information

6. Scroll down to the consent form.

7. Click on **<consent form>**, complete it in full, print and then return it to

your School Sport Coordinator/Principal to sign and record.

8. Take it with you on the day of the trial, hand to the Convener/Manager running the trial.





## **2018 HUNTER SPORT TRIALS**

Students who wish to trial for any of the teams listed below **MUST** follow the following procedure:

1. Note the date of the trial and then go to the [website nominated](#) on the information sheet to gain details and other information.
2. Complete the consent form online and then print and return it to your school Principal and sport coordinator to sign.
3. **YOU ARE NOT PERMITTED TO ATTEND ANY TRIAL** unless you have **SCHOOL PERMISSION**. If you turn up at the trial without school permission you will be sent **BACK TO SCHOOL**.
4. Once the Sport Coordinator has your permission note they will seek the advice of both the Convener and School Coaches as to your eligibility to attend Trials. Students that are too young or are not of the standard or calibre of a Hunter team cannot attend Trials.
5. Once the Sport Coordinator signs off on your attendance then you take the completed permission note to the trial.
6. NOTE that no transport or direct supervision is supplied by your High School.

Date	Team	Date	Team
<b>Term 1</b>		<b>Term 2</b>	
February 9	Girls Volleyball	May 25	Lawn Bowls
February 22	Boys Volleyball	June 14	WAG/MAG/RG Gymnastics
February 26	Golf	June 26	Boys Tennis
February 27	Diving	July 3	Girls Tennis
March 1	Boy/Girls Touch U/16s	July 3	Orienteering
March 7	Boys Basketball	July 5	Trampoline Sports
March 8	Girls Football	<b>Term 3</b>	
March 13	Boys AFL U/15s	August 7	Mountain Biking
March 13	Girls Basketball	September 26	Boys Cricket
March 14	Boys Football	<b>Term 4</b>	
March 15	Boys/Girls Water Polo	November 20	Girls Softball
March 16	Netball	November 20	Boys Softball
March 21	Rugby League 15's and Opens	November 29	Girls Cricket
March 26	Squash	December 11	Boys Baseball
March 28	Rugby Union		
March 29	Boy/Girls Touch U/16s Opens		
April 4	Boys/Girls Hockey		
July 3	Orienteering		
July 5	Trampoline Sports		

*Trial dates and time printed on this form are subject to change, please refer to the Hunter School Sport website for the most up to date information.*

# January School Holiday Workshops!



Every Friday in January **headspace Maitland** will be running free workshops for young people aged 12-25 at 3pm-5pm. It's a chance to hang out, meet new people, get crafty and learn some new ways to take care of ourselves - snacks + drinks provided!



Jan 5  
3pm-5pm

## Getting your ZZZZ's

Relaxation activities, apps to curb your nightly iPhone time and a YouTube yoga session

Jan 12  
3pm-5pm

## Chopped!

Create a cookbook of cheap meals that aren't 2 minute noodles and do some taste testing

Jan 19  
3pm-5pm

## Crafternoon

Wanna get crafty about setting realistic goals? We'll look at fun ways to journal and map out your plans

Jan 26  
3pm-5pm

## Treat Yo'self!

Time to get pampered! This workshop is all about taking time out for yourself and includes a nail and make-up tutorial

Every  
Friday in  
January!

### Contact:

Laura on (02)49311000 or  
[laura.hanlon@samaritans.org.au](mailto:laura.hanlon@samaritans.org.au)

### Where:

headspace Maitland  
73 Elgin Street



## Rutherford Technology High School UNIFORM SHOP

### OPENING HOURS:

**TUESDAY  
THURSDAY**

**8:00am - 12noon  
8:00am - 12noon**

ITEM	PRICE	SIZE	QTY	TOTAL INCL GST
<b>Girls</b>				
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			
<b>Boys</b>				
Jnr/Snr Boys Shorts	35.00			
Jnr/Snr Trousers	39.00			
<b>Unisex</b>				
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			
<b>Jumpers</b>				
Jumper	72.00			
<b>Sports</b>				
Jacket	65.00			
Sports Shorts Std	25.00			
Trackpant	38.00			
Sports Polo	35.00			
<b>Others</b>				
Scarf	20.00			
Socks 5pr	20.00			

# Uniform Shop Special Opening Hours

## 2018



**\*ORIENTATION NIGHT FOR YR 7 2018 4<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2017 3.30PM -6.30PM\***

FRIDAY	19 JAN	9-2
MONDAY	22 JAN	9-2
TUESDAY	23 JAN	9-2
WEDNESDAY	24 JAN	9-2
THURSDAY	25 JAN	9-2
FRIDAY	26 JAN( PUBLIC HOLIDAY)	SHOP CLOSED
MONDAY	29 JAN (STAFF RETURN)	8-3
TUESDAY	30 JAN (Yrs. 7,11,12 RETURN)	8-2
WEDNESDAY	31 JAN (Yrs. 8,9,10 RETURN)	8-2

**NORMAL TRADING HOURS RECOMMENCE ON 1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2018**

**TUESDAY 8.00 – 12.00**

**THURSDAY 8.00 – 12.00**

**PRICE LIST / ORDER FORM ON THE BACK**

**MASTERCARD, VISA & EFTPOS ACCEPTED**

**Uniform Shop; Contact Kylie 0478 920 262 during business hours**



# **RUTHERFORD TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL**

## **2017 CANTEEN MENU**

### **SANDWICHES, ROLLS & WRAPS + SALADS:**

#### **Sandwiches:**

- Chicken Salad	\$4.30
- Salad	\$3.70
- Egg & Lettuce	\$3.70
- Curried Egg	\$2.90
- Vegemite	\$2.90
- Cheese	\$2.90
- Meat	\$2.90
- Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$3.00
- Cheese & Tomato	\$2.90
- Corn Meat & Pickles	\$3.00

#### **Rolls:**

- Salad Roll	\$4.30
- Chicken Salad Roll	\$4.80
- Ham Salad Roll	\$4.80
- Corn Meat Salad Roll	\$4.80

#### **Wraps:**

- Salad Wrap	\$4.30
- Meat Salad Wrap	\$4.80
- Caesar Salad Wrap	\$4.30
- Chicken Caesar Wrap	\$4.80

\*Chicken Tender Salad Wrap (order only) \$5.00

#### **Salad Box:**

- Salad Box:	Small	\$3.00
	Medium	\$4.50
	Large	\$4.90
- Chicken Salad Box (Large)		\$5.90
- Chicken Caesar Salad Box:	Small	\$3.00
	Medium	\$4.50
	Large	\$6.00

### **ICE-CREAMS:**

Paddle Pops	\$2.00
Paddle Pop Lemonade Twist	\$1.20
Frozen Yoghurt	\$2.00
Vanilla Buckets	\$1.20
Juice Ice Block	\$1.00
Moosies	\$1.00

### **EXTRAS:**

Bread Roll (extra) / Buttered Bread	\$0.90
Toast Sandwich (extra)	\$0.50
Extra Fillings	\$0.40
Butter / Mayo / Mustard	\$0.20

### **HOT FOOD MENU:**

Garlic Bread	\$1.10
Plain Pie	\$2.70
Potato Pie	\$3.00
Cheese & Bacon Pie	\$3.00
Sausage Roll	\$2.60
Hot Dog	\$2.50
Chicken Chippies (6)	\$3.00
Chicken Nuggets (6)	\$3.00
Chicken Burger	\$3.60
Chicken Burger Salad	\$4.30
Chicken Gravy Roll	\$3.60
Cheese Burger	\$3.60
Cheese Burger Salad	\$4.30
Roast Beet & Gravy Roll	\$3.60
Lasagne	\$3.50
Nachos	\$3.50
Pizza Slab	\$2.80
Cheese & Bacon Roll	\$2.00

### **SNACKS:**

Deli Rock Chips	\$1.00
JJ's Chips	\$1.00
Finger Buns	\$1.60
Muffins	\$1.60
Fresh Fruit Salad (Term 1 & 4)	\$2.50
Fresh Water Melon (Term 1 & 4)	\$2.50
Eucalyptus Drops	\$0.50

### **DRINKS:**

Plain Milk - 600ml	\$2.00
Moove Milk: 300ml	\$2.20
500ml	\$3.00
Juice: 300ml / 375ml	\$2.30
Quench	\$2.00
Small Water	\$1.00
Water - 600ml	\$2.00
FOCUS Water	\$2.00
Soft Drink - 600ml	\$3.50
Hot Chocolate	\$2.00
Frozen Blizzards	\$2.00

### **SAUCE:**

Tomato / BBQ / Sweet & Sour	\$0.40
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**Canteen is open before school from 8:30am and at Recess & Lunch**

**Volunteers are always Needed—Please contact the School on 4932 5999 to find out more!**

RTHS Canteen is operated by the P&C with one paid Supervisor assisted by Volunteers.  
All profits from the canteen are returned to the school to benefit the Students.

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




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