

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

6 April - Defence Industry Careers Event Williamtown
6 April - Year Meetings
9 April - School Photo Day
9-10 April - State Swimming Homebush
11 April - Taronga Zoo Excursion
12 April - School Athletics Carnival
13 April - White Card Course
13 April - School Photo Catch Up Day
13 April - Last day of Term One
30 April - Staff Development Day
1 May - Students return to school to commence Term Two

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 15th May at 6pm in the interview room at the front office. All welcome to attend.

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RUTHERFORD TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



6th April 2018
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INTERIM REPORTS NOW AVAILABLE TO VIEW ON THE PARENT PORTAL

1. Log into Portal
2. Click on students name
3. Left hand side, click on **REPORTING**
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USE THE PARENT PORTAL TO BOOK YOUR PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

CCC-BREATHE

Students from our CCC-Breathe course recently enjoyed some interaction with some 'wiser' citizens of our Community!

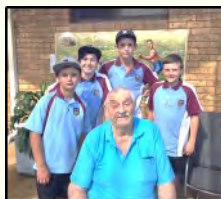
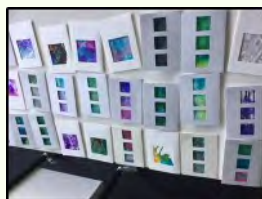
Students visited Opal - Maitland Aged Care Facility to speak with the residents and learn about some of their careers, travels, families etc.... and were enthralled with the stories they had, in particular, those from the war times.

Our students created hand-made art, framed it in a card and wrote encouraging quotes in calligraphy to give to the residents as a thank you gift during the visit.

Overall the visit was very successful and our students have been asked to continue to come for visits and perhaps to become involved with activities to build our school future connection and relationships.

Ms Wood was very proud of the students and their exceptional behaviour!

Ms Rechelle Wood
CCC-Breathe



SENIOR EXECUTIVE REPORT

We hope you had a safe and enjoyable Easter break.

School will break up on Friday 13th April with Term 2 commencing for all students on Tuesday 1st May 2018. Year 12 have finished their mid-course exams and are well on the way to completing their major works.

PARENT TEACHER NIGHT

Wednesday 11th April starting at 3.40pm in our MPC. This is a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher and see how they are progressing.

P&C

It was great to meet many of our new parents at the first two P & C meetings of the year. We invite all members of our school community to come along. It is a great way to keep informed of the latest developments and provide input into the running of the school. The meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month during school terms, go for approximately one hour, so you can be home not long after 7pm.

EMAILS

If you are not receiving emails from the school for e.g. newsletter, parent portal or parent teacher night info. Please call the school and update your details.

UNIFORM AND CORRECT FOOTWEAR

Uniform items sold through the Daylight Uniform Shop are the only accepted pieces of uniform. Black leather shoes are the only acceptable shoes (except for sport). These shoes have no markings (like the Nike Swoop etc.) and are a plain black leather shoe. It is great to see the vast majority of students wearing the correct school uniform.

We will be conducting uniform gate inspections over the course of the year. When you enter a school and see students in the correct uniform it creates a very positive impression of the school. The school uniform is just like a uniform worn in the workplace. If you are working at McDonalds and you arrive for a shift in 'almost the right uniform' – you will be sent home. It is an important habit to develop.

The uniform shop opening times are Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8am -12noon. If you are experiencing financial difficulties, please contact the school so that we can assist. We have no desire to 'punish' students who for genuine reason cannot access a school uniform. If you make contact with the school, we will hopefully be able to sort any issue.

GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS

There are so many great things our students are doing, both in school and out of school. If your child has achieved something notable outside of school – please feel free to inform us – it is always great to know what our students are up to!

LEARNING – HOW TO 'DO SCHOOL'

Gone are the days where students either 'pass' or 'fail' their examinations or assessment tasks. We consistently communicate to students in all year groups that school is all about doing their personal best so that all students are equipped with the necessary skills and capabilities to excel in life after school, regardless of the field of vocation they intend to pursue. In order to achieve their personal best students must:

1. *Attend school regularly. Research is very clear in showing us that those who attend regularly, achieve the best results.*
2. *Complete all classwork and do not disrupt the learning of other students.*
3. *Complete all assessment tasks on time and to the best of your ability. All submitted work should be a student's best work.*

All students should be engaged in some form of homework throughout each school week, to improve their learning and achievement. This can be homework assigned by the teacher or 'self-directed' homework, where a student reviews their understanding of a topic by reading through their school book and making summary or study notes on the particular topic to achieve to their potential and develop skills for lifelong learning.

Students are encouraged to take advantage of The Homework Centre which operates each Wednesday during term, from 3.20pm to 4.00pm. Enquiries regarding the Centre can be made to Mr Lenskj and Mr Hill in the HSIE faculty.

Our core value is RESPECT

RESPECT is one of school's three core values and we have communicated this repeatedly with students since the start of the school year, with a particular focus on peer relationships and the need for all students to speak and act respectfully with each other, both in person and through social media. I would ask that parents reinforce this message with their children at home. Building positive relationships with peers and teachers are essential for effective learning and for students to feel safe and secure at school. It is important that students take appropriate action and report any incidents where a peer is not treating them with respect, especially if it continues over a period of time.

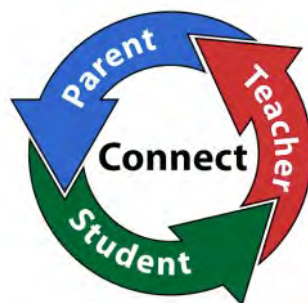
In all settings in our school environment, respect looks like:

- ☐ Being tolerant of others
- ☐ Accepting individual differences
- ☐ Caring for self, others and the environment
- ☐ Using appropriate language

When students leave school at the end of the day, we continue to expect that students will make considered decisions and continue to interact with their peers in a way that is respectful. The online environment and social media provide challenges for young people. There are a range of social media applications (e.g. Facebook, Snapchat, Messenger, Instagram) where students can upload content, comment on other people's posts, share content, connect with people whom they don't personally know and save content that other people post. There is a range of information on the internet to provide both young people and their parents with tips for living in a social media rich world. The following excerpt was taken from the Cyber Smart website:

- Know the basics of safe social networking
- Parents should have access to their child's passwords and social media accounts
- Limit your friend list – don't friend random people
- Protect your privacy – don't share your password with anyone; even your best friends
- Your personal details are valuable – don't share them
- Protect your reputation – keep it clean and ask yourself: would you want others to see what you upload
- Be careful who you trust – a person can pretend to be someone they are not
- Don't use a webcam with people you do not know
- Think before you post, chat, upload or download

Simone Hughes
Deputy Principal



RUTHERFORD TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL HAS BEEN SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BEST START YEAR 7 TRIAL TEST

Best Start Year 7 is a literacy and numeracy assessment package for schools to use in the first five weeks of Year 7 from 2019. It is designed to assist teachers to identify students at risk of falling behind in literacy and numeracy and to more effectively target teaching for students. The assessment package will include online tests and links to syllabus, the literacy and numeracy learning progressions and support material.

Year 7 students will participate in a trial of the Best Start Year 7 online assessment questions between 3 April and 13 April. The primary purpose of this trial is to test the reliability of the questions not to assess students. Accordingly, no individual student reports will be provided, however, the school will be provided with some preliminary information and links to syllabus outcomes and learning progressions.

Students will be asked to bring headphones or earbuds that plug into a computer to enable them to hear audio recordings of the numeracy questions. Earbuds for phone or a portable device are suitable.

The school has expressed interest in taking part in this trial in order to have input into the Best Start Year 7 assessment package which addresses one of the key elements of the department's Literacy and Numeracy Strategy 2017-2020.

Simone Hughes
Deputy Principal

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION & CAREERS REPORT

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

The new school year has been hectic and demanding for the Vocational Education Faculty at RTHS. Once again, we are proud to be delivering our full complement of VET courses for both HSC and Preliminary HSC. RTHS has strong numbers of students studying Business Services, Construction, Hospitality (Kitchen Operations), Metals and Engineering, Primary Industries, Retail Services and Sports Coaching. All courses are intended to give students an entry-level qualification in the particular industry plus some industry experience in the form of mandatory work placement. This gives students a competitive advantage when seeking employment.

SOME STATISTICS ABOUT VET'S ROLE IN CONTRIBUTING TO RTHS STUDENTS IN THE 2017 HSC

In 2017, 45.4% of Higher School Certificate students undertook at least one vocational education or trade training course, which contributed toward their HSC studies. Students undertook training in the areas of Business Services, Construction, Hospitality (Kitchen Operations), Metals and Engineering, Primary Industries, Retail Services and Sports Coaching.

Additionally, 5.6% undertook Vocational education courses through external providers such as TAFE and 4.1% of students participated in vocational education through a school-based traineeship arrangement.

Finally, 68.1% of HSC students studying vocational education courses attained their full VET qualification (Certificate I, II or III qualification). The remaining 31.9% of vocational education students received Statements of Attainment toward their Certificate I, II or III qualification.

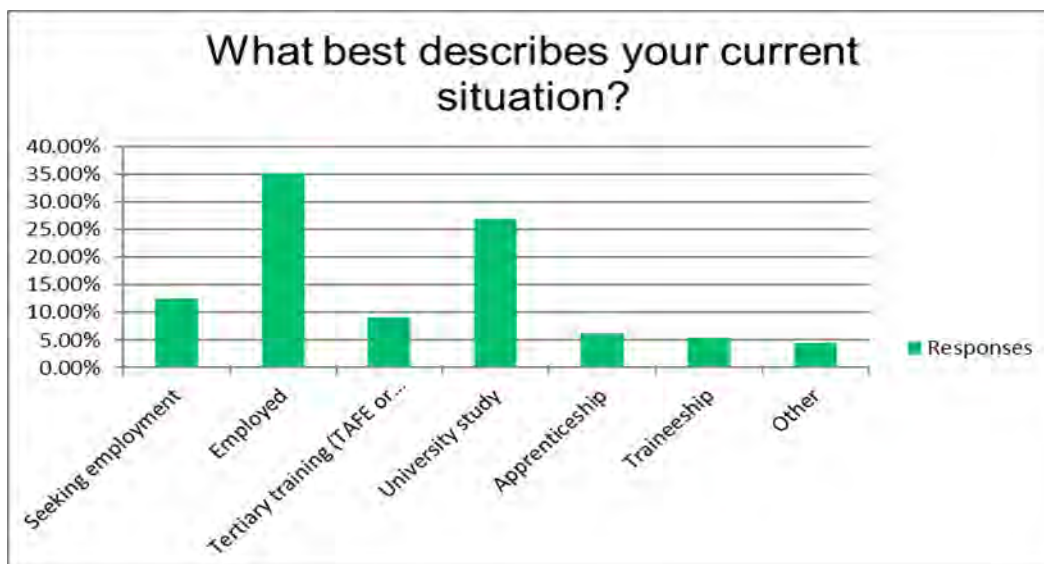
SCHOOL BASED TRAINEESHIPS

Like previous years, a number of RTHS students have taken-up the opportunity to complete a School Based Traineeship as part of their Higher School Certificate. Currently, we have students completing SBTs in Retail, Business Administration, Human Services (Nursing) and Warehousing Operations. Currently we have 15 students who undertake paid employment coupled with registered training as part of their senior pattern of study. These students are Olivia Connolly, Sophie Crawley, Libby Daniel, Charli Field, Jamie Greenwood, Hailee Mayer, Tory O'Connor, Jacinta O'Neil, Sam Owen, Hannah Ritchie, Steph Roberts, Capree Sales, Charlie Stace, Will Stone and Tallara Suey. Thank you to the following employers who support the school in this area.



2017 POST-SCHOOL DESTINATION SURVEY

Over recent week, Mr Hunt and Mr Butler have contacted last year's Year 12 students to enquire about their situation in 2018. The results are as follows:



Seeking employment	12.61%
Employed	35.14%
Tertiary training (TAFE or other training)	9.01%
University study	27.03%
Apprenticeship	6.31%
Traineeship	5.41%
Other	4.50%

Overall, most of our data was relatively consistent with previous years. However, some positive highlights discovered were an increase in University study by 5.75% and an upturn in Traineeship participation by 3.25%. Thank you to Year 12 2017 and their parents for participating in our survey.

COMING UP IN CAREERS

YES TAFE Program for Year 10, 11 and 12 - Term 2, TAFE are running TAFE taster courses at a number of their Hunter Valley campuses. These courses will run one or 2 days a week over a number of weeks. Some of the areas they will be targeting are:

Carpentry, Concreting, Auto, Child Studies, Animal Care, Plastering, Youth Work, Plumbing and the list goes on.

CONSTRUCTION INDUCTION WHITE CARD COURSE FOR YEAR 10, 11 AND 12 - Friday 13th April from 8.20am – 3.20pm. Cost is \$80. This course is for anyone that is looking at working in the Construction Industry or doing Construction as part of their HSC.

HUNTER VALLEY CAREER EXPO FOR YEARS 10, 11 AND 12 - Friday 18th May from 8.55am – 11.00pm. Cost is \$10.00. The Career Expo provides Year 10, 11 and 12 students, with an invaluable opportunity to develop their knowledge about career pathway options by giving them access to over 110 representatives from Universities, TAFE, Training Organisations, Defence, Police, Industry organisations and many, many more. The Careers Team strongly recommend all Year 10-12 students attend this excursion.

WORK EXPERIENCE - we encourage all Year 10 students to consider doing Work Experience. It is a marvellous opportunity to go to an organisation of your choosing to gain valuable hands on skills and knowledge about the possible Career Path you are interested in. The benefits are too many to list.

*If students or parents / caregivers require any additional information about any of these opportunities please contact Mr Hunt or Mr Butler in the Careers Staffroom.

Toby Butler
HT VET

YEAR 7 NEWS

Hello to all parents and caregivers of Year 7.

It has been a productive and eventful term for our Year 7 students. They have now made it through the first of many terms here at RTHS. It has been excellent to see our students making new friends, challenging themselves and participating in school activities such as CCC Projects, Bullying No Way Day and various sporting teams.

A reminder that it is important to continue building good school habits to ensure that quality learning can occur in the classrooms. This means coming to school every day with all necessary books and equipment for all subjects. Also, as the weather starts to cool down it is important that students get into and stay in the correct uniform, especially jumpers. Tights and jeans are not part of our uniform at RTHS and should not be worn. If a student is out of uniform, they are required to bring a note from their parent/caregiver to avoid receiving a uniform infringement. If you have any issues with purchasing uniform, assistance is available if you contact the school.

In week 10, Year 7 attended their first VIVO celebration assembly. It was great to see so many Year 7 students be acknowledged for displaying our school core values. Also, a massive thank you to all of the parents/caregivers who attended the ceremony to celebrate the terrific efforts of our Year 7 students.

Big congratulations to the top VIVO recipients from each class:

7A	Michael Duardo
7B	Douglas Rebb and Henry Truong
7F	Connor Beards
7G	Erica Cooper and Joel Heiligman
7K	Emelia McIntyre
7L	Jack Kerry
7M	Hannah Crich
7R	Connor Gibbs
7T	Brady Germon

Finally, Term 1 Interim Reports will be sent to parents/caregivers before the start of week 11. These provide an excellent insight into how students are progressing in the areas of respect, classwork, homework and engagement with learning. If you have any concerns about your students' progress, please make a booking for our Parent-Teacher Interviews on Wednesday 11th April, commencing at 3:40pm.

Shanelle Heitmeyer and Ashley Rooney
Year 7 Advisor and Assistant Year Advisor



YEAR 7 SPORT TERM 2

Dear Parent/Guardian,

This note is a reminder that as of Term 2, all Year 7 will be attending **off-site venues** for their timetabled double sport lessons as follows:

Week A – **Mon:** 7R, 7K **FRI:** 7A, 7T, 7F

Week B – **Mon:** 7B, 7M **THURS:** 7K, 7L

In Term 2, students will be attending **Maitland Super strike at Rutherford** and need to have paid their \$50 bus fee, covering all external transport for the rest of the year. All students were given a permission note to attend external venues at the start of the year. If your child has not yet returned this, they cannot leave the school grounds and will remain at school during their sport double period and be required to complete alternate class work.

Each session will involve 1 x game of 10 pin bowling at a cost of \$5 (money brought on the day and paid directly to the venue). Students **MUST** wear school uniform to external sport venues and comply with all directions given by school and Super Strike staff.

If you have any queries, please contact your child's PE teacher or Mr Thomas (Head Teacher PDHPE) on the school phone number.

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4 April
2018





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YEAR 8 NEWS

It's been a fun and busy term for our Year 8 students, who have been working hard, participating in a variety of school events and having lots of fun together. Many of our students were recognised this week for their achievement, effort and leadership this week at the PBL assembly. With 8000 VIVO points awarded to Year 8 already, we are second only to the deserving Year 7. Well done year 8, for your excellent demonstration of our core values: respect, responsibility and commitment. A hearty congratulations to the following students who received VIVO awards at the assembly:

Respect: Jason Foote, Joshua See, Malakai Marshall, Bowen Coddington, Bella Clarke

Responsibility: Shennai White, Caoimhe Ryan, Samuel Madge, Chloe Falk, Brandi Duke

Commitment: Chloe Dimmock, Chelsea Horn, Destiny Mains, Angela Deall, Kye Delmege

Deadly: Liliana Greedy

Overall: Jason Foote, Chloe Dimmock.

Many students have had an excellent start to their Japanese classes this year, with a number of students receiving Faculty awards recently during our weekly assemblies.



A number of our Year 8 students also participated in the first ever Rugby League TSP camp at Kurri Kurri TAFE this term, which was exceptionally well received. They worked on key skills such as goal setting, motivation, team work, effective communication, problem solving and resilience. A big thank you to Mr Potapczyk, Ms Buckton and Cory from the Rugby League Academy for all of their hard work in ensuring this event ran smoothly.



It was great to see so many Year 8 students very actively supporting 'Bullying - No Way Day' and Harmony Day by coming out of uniform! They were also very generous in their donations to Palliative Care in memory of Kallan Egar, a former RTHS student who sadly passed away last year.

A friendly reminder to parents that our Parent -Teacher Night is also coming up in week 11 on Wednesday April 11th from 3:40pm to 6:30pm. You can make a booking on the parent portal, with bookings closing April 10th at 8pm. You can also check your child's interim report on the portal to see how they are going this term, and if your child's teachers have requested an interview.

As the weather starts to cool down over the next couple of terms, it is important that we get into, and stay in the correct uniform, especially with jumpers. If you have any trouble with the uniform, assistance is available, just contact the school. Remember wearing uniform is a great way to earn some easy VIVO points to save up and spend at the online store.

It is also really important that students ensure they are attending school unless they have a valid reason, such as illness, for being absent. It's helpful for Parents and Carers to ensure that they let the school know why a student is absent as well.

Good luck to all of our year 8 students in their end of term assessment tasks, many of which are due in weeks 10 and 11. I'm sure you've all studied hard throughout the term and are ready to demonstrate all the new skills and knowledge you've learnt!

Allison Orr
Assistant Year Adviser

Mallori Morgan
Year Adviser

YEAR 9 NEWS

As we near the end of Term 1, Mr Daly and Ms Grant would like to congratulate Year 9 on their consistent approach to exhibiting the schools core values of Respect, Responsibility and Commitment. It has been great to see so many students participating to their full potential during lessons and working hard to produce quality work. A reminder that even though it is getting towards the end of term, we still need to continue to focus in each lesson as we work towards a busy term 2.

As part of our school's core value of commitment students, parents and caregivers are reminded of the importance of coming to school prepared for learning. Students are required to have a book for each class and bring the correct stationery. As Year 9 move into preparing for their ROSA, having the correct book for each subject is essential for revision for assessment tasks and consolidating their understanding of key concepts.

With the weather beginning to cool down it is important that we maintain our excellent uniform standards. The uniform shop is open and stocking winter uniforms if there is anything that you need to replace, particularly jackets. Wearing the correct uniform is a key part of being a member of our school community.

Parents and caregivers are reminded that Interim Reports will be sent out shortly and are encouraged to check student's progress through the Parent Portal. Parent teacher interview night is also coming up on Wednesday 11th of April and we would love to see as many Year 9 parents and caregivers there as possible.

Mr Daly and Ms Grant look forward to a rewarding Term 2 with Year 9.

Mr Daly
Year Adviser

Ms Grant
Assistant Year Adviser

YEAR 10 NEWS

Hello all parents and guardians of Year 10.

This year Mr Potapczyk continues as the Year 10 Adviser and I (Mr Connaughton) have joined the Well Being team as Assistant Year 10 Adviser. I look forward to a great year ahead working with our Year 10 students.

Term One has been a demanding term for Year 10 students with the increasing work load of assessments evident throughout each KLA. The staff at RTHS have acknowledged that this time of the year can be stressful for students completing tasks and have provided their assistance by launching the "RTHS Homework Centre". Every Wednesday from 3:20pm – 4:00pm, the homework centre provides students from all year groups the opportunity to seek help from staff members with homework and assessments tasks. A reminder from Mr Potapczyk and Mr Connaughton the importance of being organised and proactive in regards to completing assessment tasks on time. If students are finding it difficult meeting deadlines of tasks, the Homework Centre is the place to be.

Our year 10 students that have displayed our school core values of Respect, Responsibility and Commitment in 2018 have been rewarded with VIVO reward points. In 2018, our year 10 students have accumulated over 8,000 points as a year group. Our Term 1 VIVO reward assembly took place on Wednesday the 4th of April with Abby Algie taking out the overall top spot for Year 10.

D. Connaughton
Assistant Year Adviser

1	ALGIE, Abby	711
2	DATE, Khadejah	705
3	KELLY, Ebony	693
4	DARCY, Hayden	627
5	BELL, Trent	606
6	DONALD, Owen	594
7	ROBINSON, Karisma	591
8	BRANELEY, Jordan	579
9	WIDDRINGTON, Machala	568
10	KERSHAW, Lylah	526



PARENT TEACHER EVENING

Parent teacher night 11th April 2018 3.40pm - 6.30pm in the school hall

Parents have been sent emails on how to register for the school's parent portal. Please ensure that you follow the instructions to register. Our parent teacher nights are booked via the parent portal. Interview time slots will open on the 28th March at 8am. Bookings will remain available until 6pm on the 11th April.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photo Day will be held on MONDAY 9th APRIL 2018

We will have a makeup day on Friday 13th April 2018 (approximately one hour).

The school dress code for photos is full school uniform with **NO** visible undershirts, shirt sleeves **NOT** to be rolled up, **ALL** shirt buttons to be done up (including top button), **NO** dangly earrings and **NO** facial piercings.

Please be advised that staff will be in attendance to ensure all students have the correct dress code and should a student not meet the dress code they will **NOT** be photographed.

MSP Photography advises the following:

"Payment for the whole family can be placed into ONE envelope. It is important that each family member hands in their own personalized envelope to the photographer indicating where the payment will be found. The pre-pay envelope must be handed to the photographer before individual portraits will be taken. Please make cheques payable to MSP Photography or enclose correct money as the school does not handle any money and therefore cannot give change. There is 100% money back guarantee if not satisfied with the photos."

MSP Photography has been our photographer for many years now and are part of our school community in so many ways.

PLEASE MARK THE DATE ON THE CALENDAR AND REMEMBER TO ASK YOUR CHILD TO SHOW YOU THE PERSONALISED ENVELOPE WHEN THEY RECEIVE IT.



2018 STUDENT LEADERS

Jenny Aitchison MP (Member for Maitland) recently formally recognised Rutherford Technology High School 2018 Student Leaders for their achievement by having them presented with a certificate, congratulations to:

School Captains

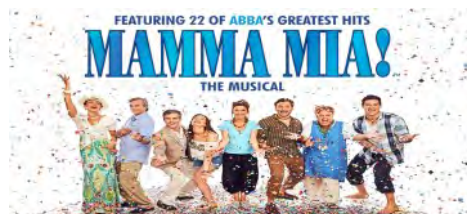
Clare Faustini & Jake Payne

School Vice-Captains

Jahleasha Waters & Michael Wilde

Year 12 Student Leaders

Angel Geering, Rozelle Kleyn & Chidinma Ogu



TCAPA and the cast of the musical are heading off to see the award winning production of MAMMA MIA on May 2nd (first Wednesday back in Term 2) at the Capitol Theatre in Sydney.

This is a great opportunity for the performing arts students to see a professional production in what is the most beautiful theatre in Australia. Permission notes and money are due back to the office no later than Thursday 12th April.



Rehearsals are underway for our musical "Back to the 80s". Acting, singings and dancing rehearsals for the show have been alternating between recess and lunchtimes and the students are commended on their dedication. Some shining stars are emerging from our cast and we are looking forward to the show coming together for our showcase in early July.

TERM 1: WEEK 8 ASSEMBLY – ENGLISH FACULTY PBL AWARDS

Year 7:

Trilby Ferguson	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Tamirra Gribbin	Excellence in Writing
Matthew Gornall	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Katie-Rose Harwood	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Joel Heligman	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Tayla Henderson	Excellence in Writing
Jack Kerry	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Phoebe Oldham	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Jayden Pepperall	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Zoe Roots	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Billie Ryan	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Mia Sooner	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Analeigh Votano	Consistent Effort & Application in English

Year 8:

Lili Botfield	Excellent Work in Matrix Task
Angela Deall	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Brandi Duke	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Leeza Goyal	Excellent Work in Matrix Task
Alison Kalverla	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Brayden Lucas	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Kaylee Meehan	Excellent Work in Matrix Task
Marna Starling	Consistent Effort & Application in English

Year 9:

Stephanie Black	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Shay-Lee Ditton	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Damon Drummond	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Cameron Hayward	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Byron Winkler	Consistent Effort & Application in English

Year 10:

Joeshia Brent	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Dylan Manning	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Luke Oakley	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Amelia Sutcliffe	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Ditch Zielenski	Consistent Effort & Application in English

Year 11:

Nathaniel Cox	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Bayley Habgood	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Blake Idstein	Excellence in Writing
Jake Madge	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Jacinta O'Neill	Excellence in Writing

Year 12:

Kaylle Cuthbertson	Consistent Effort & Application in English
Kim Delaney	Consistent Effort & Application in English



TERM 1: WEEK 9 ASSEMBLY – VET/CAREERS/LOTE FACULTY PBL AWARDS

Year 8

Sebastian Baxter
Lili Botfield
Acacia Cooper
Chelsea Horn
Marnie Kemsley
Christopher Kokkinelis
Gabriella Smith
Amber Sumner
Anthony Twaddell
Aiden Worth

Excellent Application in Japanese
Enthusiasm in Trying to Master Hiragana
Enthusiasm in Japanese
Excellent Application in Japanese
Excellent Application in Japanese
Enthusiasm & Application in Japanese
Enthusiasm in Trying to Master Hiragana
Excellent Application in Japanese
Excellent Application in Japanese
Enthusiasm & Willingness to 'Give-it-a-Go' in Japanese

Year 10

Jasmine Beards
Jesse Scott

Application & Enthusiasm in Japanese
Application & Enthusiasm in Japanese

Year 11 - VET

Aleisha Bailey
Blayd Duncan
Jacinta Mangnall
Jacinta O'Neill
Braydon Stossel

Consistent Application in Business Services
Consistent Application in Construction
Exceptional Effort in Retail Services
Consistency & Commitment in Hospitality
Excellent Application in Sports Coaching

Year 12 - VET

Brandi Armstrong-Fenwick
Alex Ditz
Hayden Kowalski
Blake McDonnell
Jazmyn McGoldrick
Katlyn McGoldrick
Cameron Manning
Cameron Manning

Consistency & Commitment in Hospitality
Consistent Effort & Application in Metals & Engineering
Excellent Application in Sports Coaching
Consistent Work Ethic in Business Services
Consistent Effort & Application in Retail Services
Consistent Effort & Application in Retail Services
Consistent Effort & Application in Metals & Engineering
Consistent Application in Construction



MESSAGE FROM YOUR CAPTAINS

The busy term has continued ...

Our school celebrated Harmony Day on 21st March, Year 12 have completed their half-yearly exams, Year 7 had vaccinations and the VIVO assemblies were held.

The last week will also be busy as we have school photos, Athletics Carnival and our Year 8 & Year 9 SRC members will be attending the Combined Schools ANZAC Service in Singleton.

Next Friday 13th April 2018 is the last of term and we hope you all have a happy and safe holiday. Students will return for Term 2 on Monday 1st May 2018.

We look forward to sharing our news with you again next term!

Clare Faustini & Jake Payne
School Captains



TERM 1: WEEK 10 ASSEMBLY – MATHEMATICS FACULTY PBL AWARDS

Year 7

Kade Baker	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 2 Mathematics
Sarah Caldwell	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 1 Mathematics
Jack Kerry	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 2 Mathematics
Josie McIntosh	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 3 Mathematics
Ashan Parsons	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 3 Mathematics
Douglas Rebb	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 2 Mathematics
Aimee Taylor	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 1 Mathematics
Lori Twaddell	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 1 Mathematics

Year 8

Isabelle Gray	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 1 Mathematics
Chelsea Horn	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 1 Mathematics
Peter Perry	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 1 Mathematics
Olivia Playford	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 1 Mathematics
Beckham Robson	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 2 Mathematics
Gabriella Smith	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 3 Mathematics
Gemma Watson	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 2 Mathematics

Year 9

Tom Anderson	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 2 Mathematics
Harris Baldwin	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 1 Mathematics
Taryn Edwards	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 2 Mathematics
Ruby Geering	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 1 Mathematics
Madisyn Grigull	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 3 Mathematics

Year 10

Stryder Broad	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 2 Mathematics
Caitlin Cassidy	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 1 Mathematics
Leiya Heffernan	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 1 Mathematics
Charlie Johnson	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 1 Mathematics
Phoebe Quilty	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 3 Mathematics
Brayden Wallbridge	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 2 Mathematics
Alanah Whitson	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Level 1 Mathematics

Year 11

Jhannen Harges	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Mathematics
Riley Lewis	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Mathematics
Jacinta Mangnall	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Mathematics

Year 12

Kyle Dryden	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Mathematics
Clare Faustini	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Mathematics
Cade Fogg	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Mathematics
Annabelle Quilty	Pleasing Academic Achievement in Mathematics



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- Assessment Tasks
- N-Awards
- Catching up on missed work



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Improves classroom behaviour



Improves concentration



Increased cognitive functioning



Reduces obesity rates



Improves memory



Teaches important life skills to students



Makes children feel valued



Increases confidence



Craft n' Creations

An 11 week craft program for families with children ages 4-12 years. Each week will involve a different craft activity and afternoon tea will be provided. Please note parents of the children in the program must stay for the 2 hours.

Where: Mindaribba LALC - 1A Chelmsford Drive Metford

When: Wednesdays Weekly

Time: 4pm - 5:30pm

Starts: 11th April

Finishes: 27th June

Call our office on 4015 7000 to register by leaving the child's name, age and contact number.



National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2018

LETTER TO PARENTS

In May 2018 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australian schools.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement. Each student's level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Student background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student's right to privacy is maintained.

The NAPLAN tests will be conducted from 15-17 May 2018.

TUESDAY 15 MAY	WEDNESDAY 16 MAY	THURSDAY 17 MAY
Language Conventions (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar)	Reading test	Numeracy test
Writing test		

In the numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors. In Years 7 and 9 there will be one numeracy test with two parts: Part A calculator is allowed and Part B where calculators are not to be used. For the calculator test, the student should use the calculator that they currently use at school.

Friday 18 May – A 'catch-up' day is scheduled for students who missed a test or were absent on a test day. Students may be considered for exemption from the tests if they:

- are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English, or
- have significant intellectual disability and/or significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests.

All other students are expected to participate in the tests. Disability adjustments which reflect the student's normal level of support in the classroom may be provided. Large print, braille, coloured paper versions and electronic tests are available to meet the needs of individual students.

Access to disability adjustments or exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school principal and a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents in consultation with the school principal. If you wish to withdraw your child from the tests, a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Please make an appointment with the principal of the school your child attends if you would like to discuss your child's participation in NAPLAN.

Additional information about NAPLAN can be found at <http://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/parent-carer-support>

Tuning into Teens

Emotionally Intelligent Parenting

A six-session parenting program
for families with young people aged 12-18years

Where: Mindaribba LALC - 1a Chelmsford Dr, Metford

When: Monday evenings 6-8pm

7th May to 11th June, 2018

Light Supper Provided

Please call 40157000 to register.

Assisting you to learn how to:

- be better at yarning with your teen
- be better at understanding your teen
- help your young one learn to manage their feelings
- help to prevent behaviour problems in your teen
- help your teen to deal with conflict



Tuning in to Teens shows you how to help your young people develop *emotional intelligence*. Adolescents with higher emotional intelligence:

- are more aware, assertive and strong in situations of peer pressure
- have greater success with making friends and are more able to manage conflict with peers
- are more able to cope when upset or angry
- have fewer mental health and substance abuse difficulties
- have more stable and satisfying relationships as adults
- have greater career success
- Emotional intelligence may be a better predictor of academic and career success than IQ.



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How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

For iPhone and iPad users:

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

For Windows 8.1 Phone and Windows 8.1 or 10 device users:

1. Go to the Windows Store on your 8.1 Windows Phone or Windows 8.1/10 Device
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 8.1 version Windows Phones, or Windows 8.1 and 10 devices.





RUTHERFORD TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

2018 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	\$2.70
- 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	\$5.00
- Chicken Caesar Wrap	\$4.80

Salad Box:

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

ICE-CREAMS:

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

EXTRAS:

Bread Roll (extra) / Buttered Bread	\$0.90
Toasted 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
Spaghetti Twist Pasta	\$3.50
Nachos	\$3.50
Cheese & Bacon Roll	\$2.00

SNACKS:

Deli Rock Chips	\$1.00
JJ's Chips	\$1.00
Finger Buns	\$1.60
Muffins	\$1.60
Eucalyptus Drops	\$0.50

DRINKS:

Plain Milk - 600ml	\$2.00
Moove Milk: 300ml	\$2.20
500ml	\$3.00
Juice: 300ml / 375ml	\$2.30
Small Water	\$1.00
Water - 600ml	\$2.00
Sparkling Water	\$3.00
Chilli Drinks	\$1.50
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 8:15am and at Recess & Lunch

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

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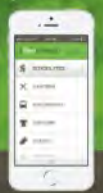
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(or any part of the day you can manage)

Experience: Not necessary – everything you need to know can be learnt within a short space of time

Salary: Plenty of tea and coffee (or juice) and the best of all friendship

Bonus: Your child/children are happy to see you in their school. You get to meet new people and make good friends within the school community!

Applications close: NEVER ☺

CANTEEN ROSTER

Monday	9 April	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
Tuesday	10 April	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
Wednesday	11 April	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
Thursday	12 April	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
Friday	13 April	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
Monday	30 April	<i>Staff Development Day</i>
Tuesday	1 May	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
Wednesday	2 May	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
Thursday	3 May	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
Friday	4 May	D Jones



Rutherford Technology High School UNIFORM SHOP

OPENING HOURS:

**TUESDAY
THURSDAY**

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

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			
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Rutherford Technology High School has an 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>

IMPROVING LITERACY AND NUMERACY

ADVICE FOR PARENTS OF YEAR 10 STUDENTS

February 2018 update

A **minimum standard** of literacy and numeracy is required for your child to receive their Higher School Certificate (HSC).



Meeting the HSC minimum standard will mean that your child has the literacy and numeracy skills that are essential for success in learning and life after school.

THE ONLINE TESTS

Most students will show they have met the HSC minimum standard by passing minimum standard online tests. Students master basic skills at different stages so there are **multiple opportunities** available to pass the tests, from Year 10 until a few years after Year 12.



There are three 45-minute online tests:

- ✓ a multiple choice **reading** test
- ✓ a multiple choice **numeracy** test
- ✓ a short **writing** test based on a choice between a visual or written prompt

2017 NAPLAN TESTS

If your child achieved Band 8s or above in one or more of the 2017 Year 9 NAPLAN tests they are recognised as having met the HSC minimum standard in that area/s and will not need to sit the corresponding online test/s.

TEST DATES

Students will have two opportunities a year, from Year 10 until a few years after Year 12, to pass each online test.



The online test dates (school days only) for 2018 are:

- Term 1: 19 February to 23 March 2018
- Term 2: 21 May to 22 June 2018
- Term 3: 13 August to 14 September 2018
- Term 4: 5 November to 7 December 2018

WHAT TO EXPECT?

To help your child understand what to expect in the online tests, they are encouraged to visit educationstandards.nesa.nsw.edu.au/HSCminimumstandard to:

- ✓ try demonstration questions to get a feel for the test format
- ✓ view sample test questions and answers online

Your child's school may also organise short practice tests.



STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Some students with disabilities will be eligible for extra provisions for the minimum standard online tests, or an exemption from the HSC minimum standard requirement.

Students are encouraged to talk to their teachers to determine whether they are eligible for provisions. A Disability Provisions, Exemptions and Appeals policy, which contains further information, is available on the NESA website.

MORE INFORMATION

Contact your child's school principal for more detailed information about the HSC minimum standard or visit the NESA website:

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