



# RUTHERFORD TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

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# NEWSLETTER

28th MARCH 2025

## Rutherford Technology High School

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Office Hours:  
Monday-Thursday 8:00am-4:00pm  
Friday 8:00am-3:30pm  
Outside of office hours, a message may be left on the school answering machine.

An appointment is necessary before meeting with a staff member, including the Principal or Deputy Principal, as they have class, playground duty and other commitments during the school day. Please call our Administration Office to make an appointment.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 31st March- Year 12 Half Yearly Exams
- 4th April 2025 Year 12 Half Yearly Exams
- 1st April Combined Schools ANZAC Service
- 2nd April Year Meetings
- 2nd April HPGE Information Evening
- 2nd April NSW Junior Chess League (Game 1)
- 7th April ArtExpress 2025 Excursion
- 8th April Bill Turner Cup (Boys)
- 8th April Year 10 Careers & Coffee' (Parent Information Evening)
- 8th April Year 12 BBQ Fundraiser
- 10th April Science & Engineering Challenge
- 10th April U/16 Girls R/League Country Cup
- 10th April RTHS ANZAC Day Service
- 11th April Cross Country/Colour Run
- 11th April Last Day of Term
- 30th April Students Return (Term 2)

## SBAT Health Excursion

The SBAT Health Event, organised by the Educational Pathways Program at Gosford Hospital last week was a huge success. It was an incredible opportunity for students to develop their understanding on the application and interview process for School Based Traineeships in Nursing, the support offered by our EPP SBAT Engagement Officer allows students to discover many career pathways, engage with industry professionals, and gain valuable insights into the world of health services.

A big thank you to all the participants, speakers, and organisers for making this event so impactful. We can't wait to see where these new opportunities take our future health professionals.

- #HealthSBAT
- #EducationalPathways
- #FutureHealthLeaders
- #CareerOpportunities
- #HealthcareCareers



## MESSAGE FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Term 1 2025 has been extremely busy with multiple extra curricula activities, sporting ventures and academic challenges to start the year. Below is a list of a few of the recent highlights that Rutherford Technology High School has had, plus there are a few more exciting upcoming events including the Rutherford Technology High School annual Cross Country/Colour Run. Who will be named champion and which house will take out the bragging rights for 2025? I look forward to what Term 2 will bring for all staff and students and wish everyone all of the best for the upcoming Easter Break.



### Hunter School Sports Association

Congratulations to several of our students who have successfully gained entry into the Hunter School Sports Association teams. Their dedication and talent have earned them a spot in these competitive teams, representing our school in various sports.

### NAPLAN Success

A big congratulations to Naomi Scoringe and the NAPLAN team for guiding all of our Year 7 and Year 9 students to successfully complete NAPLAN. Their hard work and dedication ensured a smooth and successful testing experience for everyone.

### Harmony Day Celebrations



We had a wonderful Harmony Day celebration organised by our Wellbeing Staff and the SRC. Students enjoyed various activities during breaks, and a heartfelt poem was read by our student leaders, highlighting the importance of diversity and inclusion.

### Weekly Swimming Lessons

Our support students have been enjoying their weekly swimming lessons, where they are learning valuable life skills that promote confidence, independence, and safety in the water.

### NSW State Swimming Championships

Two of our students have qualified for the NSW State Swimming Championships later this year. Good luck to both Ethan and Billy. Special congratulations to Ethan Wenham, who has become our most successful swimming student in over 10 years, qualifying for the highest number of events.

### Exciting News: The New Variety Bus Has Arrived!

We are thrilled to announce that the much-awaited Variety Bus has been delivered and officially presented to our school. This bus will play an integral role in supporting student transportation for various school activities, helping our students, particularly those with additional needs, access the community for events such as sports, work experience, and other enrichment opportunities.

The bus was officially presented on Monday 24th March 2025, in a special ceremony attended by representatives from Variety and their generous fundraisers. To show our gratitude, support staff and students worked together to cater for the event, with senior student Darcie taking the lead in running the support café for all those involved. The morning was filled with warmth and community spirit, highlighted by heartfelt speeches from those who made this donation possible.

A big thank you to everyone who contributed to this incredible addition to our school community, and to all the staff and students who helped make the event a resounding success.

### End of Term Reminder

As we approach the end of term, all staff and students are looking forward to the upcoming Easter break. However, it's important to maintain our high standards. Let's continue working hard and being respectful of one another for the remainder of term.

**Ms Teliah Buckton**

**Deputy Principal Inclusion and Support**

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Regular attendance at school is essential for students to achieve quality life outcomes. Schools, in partnership with parents, are responsible for promoting the regular attendance of students. Parents or carers of children of compulsory school age (6 to 17) are responsible for ensuring their child attends school every day.

Ideally all students should have a yearly average percentage of above 90%.

If your child is struggling to come to school for the following reasons:

Issues in the Learning Environment

If your child is experiencing difficulty with school work, or experiencing issues with other students in the learning environment, please contact a year group Deputy Principal to discuss your concerns and to develop strategies to overcome this.

Anxiety

If your child is struggling to get to school due to anxiety then your first point of call is to contact the school and speak to the year group Deputy Principal, or the Year adviser and the school will work with you to find the best alternative for your child. In cases of severe anxiety, you will need to provide a medical certificate from your GP, our wellbeing team will develop a plan looking at in-school solutions or an alternative learning setting.

Refusing

If your child is refusing to come to school please make an appointment with the Deputy Principal of Attendance to discuss the issue and develop a plan to improve your child's attendance.

Compulsory School Attendance

Please use the following link from the NSW Department of Education to find out more about compulsory school attendance [Compulsory school attendance \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.nsw.gov.au/compulsory-school-attendance)

What Should I do if my child is absent from school?

If children are absent from school, parents and carers are required to provide the school with an acceptable explanation within seven days of the absence.

Explanations regarding attendance can be provided in the following ways:

- ▶ Phone or email – If you know your child is going to be away contact the school via phone (02 4932 5999) or email ([rutherford-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:rutherford-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au)).
- ▶ Letter – On the day your child returns to school after an absence send a note explaining the absence. This note can be handed in at the school administration office.
- ▶ Reply to SMS - The school sends out an SMS message each day to notify parents that their child is absent. Please reply to the SMS stating if your child is absent due to sickness or family business.

Medical Certificates

After three days of absence, we require a medical certificate for any sickness which can be emailed to the school.

If you have any concerns or require assistance with your child's attendance please contact the Attendance Team via the school administration office 02 4932 5999.

**Mr Ben O'Leary**  
**Deputy Principal Attendance**

## Positive Attendance Rewards



### Canteen Vouchers

Every 4 weeks students with 100% Attendance go into the draw for 1 of 20 Canteen Vouchers



### Attendance BBQ and Pizza Days

Students with high attendance are invited to the attendance BBQ or Pizza days once a term



### Free Attendance Fun day Excursion

Students with high attendance at end of the year are invited to a free attendance Fun Day Excursion. Last year it was Go-Karts and Bowling

# Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities too..



Build Friendships



Learn



Develop Life Skills

# Wellbeing News



Our Wellbeing Team and our Learning and Support Teams often work in collaboration with external specialists to support the needs of our students. If your child's clinician or specialist requests a progress summary or screeners to be completed to support a diagnosis, please ask them to email these requests directly through to the school email address. Emails will be directed to the relevant staff and followed up via the Learning and Support Team to ensure that the request is fulfilled.

It is normal for all of us, including young people, to feel some stress and anxiety in our lives. However, if you have concerns for your child's mental health and wellbeing, there are services that can support you. This week we feature Headspace and the Mental Health Line.

For counselling and more: [headspace Maitland | Youth Mental Health Centre & Services](#) - Phone: 02 4931 1000.



**headspace Maitland | Youth Mental Health Centre & Services**

headspace Maitland offer free youth health services for young people aged 12-25 years. We employ a multidisciplinary team of psychologists, counsellors, youth workers, GPs and other staff to support the health and wellbeing of young people with a focus on mental health.


[headspace.org.au](http://headspace.org.au)

## Mental Health Line

# 1800 011 511

Anyone can call the [Mental Health Line](#) to access professional support in a crisis for the following mental health concerns:

- Changes to mood that worry you or others.
- Significant changes to personal hygiene or motivation.
- Difficulties concentrating.
- Getting confused about what is real and what is not.
- Behaviour like laughing or smiling at something others can't see or hear.
- Feelings of panic, like something bad is about to happen.
- Intense anxiety.
- Thoughts or actions of hurting yourself or ending your life.
- Thoughts of harming someone.



**Mental Health Line**

A mental health crisis may include feeling like you can't keep yourself or others safe immediately. If you think there is an immediate threat or risk of harm to yourself or others, call Emergency Services on Triple 0 (000). If you don't think the situation is immediately unsafe, you can contact the NSW Mental Health Line to speak with a trained mental health professional.

[www.health.nsw.gov.au](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au)

**Mrs Emma Basedow**  
**Head Teacher Wellbeing**

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## Language Faculty Update

Year 8 students have been diving into their language studies with enthusiasm. They have explored Japanese geography, major cities, and learned how to write and say their names in Japanese. Some classes had the opportunity to dress up in a traditional kimono and yukata, as well as other outfits like karate uniforms and samurai attire. They have also been practicing self-introductions and have begun learning vocabulary for countries, cities, and towns. A reminder that Year 8 students require an A4 exercise book for notetaking, and communication home for students without a book will be sent as this becomes more essential throughout the year. Any assistance in acquiring the necessary supplies can be made by contacting the school.

Year 9 students have been strengthening their Japanese writing skills by focusing on both hiragana and katakana, building their confidence in reading and writing. They are also partway through the family topic, where they have been learning how to describe their own families and talk about relationships using key vocabulary and sentence structures. Their dedication to mastering the basics is setting a strong foundation for their continued language learning.

Meanwhile, Year 10 students have been reinforcing their foundational skills as they begin the money and shopping unit. They recently enjoyed their first cooking lesson of the term, preparing delicious teriyaki chicken with noodles. Students are encouraged to develop strong study routines to stay on top of their learning and make the most of their language studies.

We look forward to another fantastic term ahead.

### RTHS Language Faculty

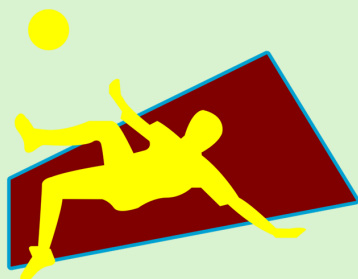


# TSP Football News

On Monday, 24th March 2025, the Open Girls Football Team participated in the Puma Cup at Lake Macquarie Regional Football Facility. The team played Cardiff High School in Round 1, coming away 5-0 winners against a very good Cardiff side. 4 goals to Ceanna.F and 1 from Georgia.M capped off an outstanding team performance with some great defending, passing and attacking phases from all the RTHS players.

The team then played Merewether High School in Round 2, who were the favourites to be Hunter Champions again this year. The girls went in at half time 2-0 down after some determined defending with some big chances created by our girls, only to be stopped by some top-class goalkeeping from the Merewether keeper. RTHS moved to a more attacking formation in the second half which ultimately left them vulnerable at the back, losing the match 6-0 against a talented Merewether team.

We are proud of the Open Girls team and their efforts in what was a tough draw against two very good sides. Thank you to those parents who supported with transport and to the students who represented RTHS with pride and dedication.



## RUTHERFORD TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL P&C ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

# AGM

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Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Rutherford Technology High School Parents & Citizens Association will be held on Tuesday 13th May 2025 at 6:00pm in the school administration office.

In accordance with the Federation of Parents & Citizens' Association Guidelines the following will apply:

The officer positions determined at the AGM, according to both Standard and Prescribed Constitution are:

President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Canteen Treasurer, Public Officer and Finance Committee

- No more than one office position can be held by the same person.
- Two people from the same family can hold office-bearer positions at the same time.
- Office-bearers can be elected regardless of their place and type of employment.
- Only financial members are eligible to stand for a position (to be a financial member, a community person must have paid their \$2.00 membership fee no later than the General Meeting prior to the AGM).

Nominations should be forwarded to the Principal via the school email address ([rutherford-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:rutherford-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au)) and include nominating position, nominee name, address and telephone number or alternatively nominations can be taken at the meeting.

The Term 2: Week 3 meeting will follow at the conclusion of the AGM.





# Stage 5 Sport @ Dullboy's — SOCIAL CO —

Our Stage 5 Dullboys Sport students have been rolling into action with our exciting weekly bowling competition.

Each week, students compete to see who can rack up the highest score, with the top bowler earning a delicious donut as their prize.

A huge congratulations to our last three champions:

**Week 5 Winner:** Logan Dundson

**Week 6 Winner:** Rhys Erby

**Week 7 Winner:** Ollie Kerry

Think you've got what it takes to be the next champion? Get involved, have fun, and aim for that perfect strike! See you on the lanes!

**Ms Growth & Mr Saunders**



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18th March 2025



## Rutherford Technology High School Cross Country / Colour Run

- Date & Time:** Friday 11th April 2025 - Lunch + Period 5.
- Location:** Rutherford Technology High School & Max McMahon Oval.
- Uniform:** Students **MUST NOT** wear school uniform - colour will look more visible on white clothing. Students catching buses home are encouraged to bring spare clothes for their trip home.
- Cost:** \$5.00 per student (this has been attached to student accounts).
- Cross Country Program:** Registration after Roll Call on Friday 11th April 2025 on the green area.

***Competitors start times:***

2:00pm	All students to warm up on school oval	
2:05pm	17 & 18 year old Boys and Girls	(6000m)
2:10pm	15 & 16 year old Boys	(4000m)
2:10pm	15 & 16 year old Girls	(4000m)
2:20pm	12, 13 & 14 year old Boys	(4000m)
2:20pm	12, 13 & 14 year old Girls	(4000m)

- Colour Run Program:** All students must continuously move (walk or run) through the course and complete as many laps as they can until the course closes at 3:10pm.

***Start times:***

Support, Year 11 & Year 12	2:30pm
Year 9 & Year 10	2:35pm
Year 7 & Year 8	2:40pm

**David Connaughton & Zac Sneddon**  
Sports Co-Ordinators



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## High Potential & Gifted Education (HPGE) 2026 Information Evening

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2025**

**5:00pm to 6:00pm**  
**RTHS Common Room**

At Rutherford Technology High School we believe in supporting every student to reach their education potential. We provide academic programs with differentiated learning designed specifically to cater for the needs of our high performing and gifted students. In 2026 we will offer up to 3 HPGE classes, these classes are aimed at raising expectations and building student capabilities.

Our High Potential and Gifted Education (HPGE) programs have been designed to support students who learn in a variety of ways. The high quality learning opportunities are available to students from all backgrounds in all inclusive manner. All programs are created based on evidence informed practice that is current and relevant which leads to confidence, enjoyable learning and academic success.

### **APPLICATIONS FOR 2026 HPGE CLASSES WILL OPEN SOON**

Come along to the information night on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2025 to gain an insight into the benefits of the program for your child.



If you would like further information about the Rutherford Technology High School 2026 HPGE Intake please contact our Head Teacher Learning & Support, Mrs Naomi Scorringe, via the school administration office on 49325999 or email: [rutherford-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:rutherford-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au)



# Careers and Coffee

## Parent/Guardian Information Afternoon

**Tuesday 8th April 2025 - 4:00pm-5:30pm**  
(Rutherford Technology High School Bistro)

Join us for an informal Q&A session over coffee and biscuits to learn about the exciting pathways available for your child. Their engagement in careers activities in Year 10 - 2025, can have a large, positive affect on their future. Whether they wish to leave school after attaining their RoSA or continue into Year 11 and 12.

### Topics Covered:

- TAFE Short Courses - Start Your Future & YES Programs
- TVET (TAFE Vocational Education & Training) in Year 11 & 12
- School-Based Apprenticeships & Traineeships (SBATs)
- Work Experience
- Educational Pathways Program (EPP) & Headstart (Pre-apprenticeship) Programs
- Subject Selection for Year 11 & Year 12

*This a fantastic opportunity to ask questions and explore future career and study options for your child.*

### Meet our Career Experts:

Toby Butler - RTHS Head Teacher VET

Jesse Robertson - RTHS Careers Adviser

Rob Skelton - SBAT Engagement Officer

Mick Lee - Head Teacher Careers & EPP

It would be appreciated for gatering purpose that you  
RSVP to [jesse.robertson13@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:jesse.robertson13@det.nsw.edu.au)  
Further information please contact RTHS Careers Adviser, Jesse Robertson  
either by phone via the school administration office or email.





Congratulations to our wonderful Mainstream, Aboriginal and Support dance groups who were all successful in their auditions for Star Struck 2025.

**All students will be performing in Cast A performances  
Friday 13th June 2025 @ 11:00am  
and Saturday 14th June 2025 @ 7:00pm.**

Tickets go on sale: **Tuesday 29th April 2025 @ 10:00am**

Congratulations to our very own Mrs Cooper and Mrs Ossington who are choreographers for Star Struck 2025.

**SAVE THE DATE**

Star Struck  
Remixed

Tickets on sale  
Tuesday 29th April @10am

Performances  
Friday 13 June @11am (Cast A) & 7pm (Cast B)  
Saturday 14 June @1pm (Cast B) & 7pm (Cast A)

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**NSW GOVERNMENT**

**GLENCORE**  
A GLENCORE Community Partnership

**NEW FM 105.3**  
Newcastle's Best Music

**HERALD**  
theherald.com.au

**2HD**  
Newcastle 1143AM Full Service 97.5FM

**NEWCASTLE WEEKLY**

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The Branding Agency.



### **OPAL CARDS**

All students are required to have a school opal card to travel on trains. Student opal cards are issued to students upon application at the schools administration office.

Students must tap their card on at the beginning of the journey and tap their card off when they reach their destination.

If a student does not have an opal card and or does not tap on and off as required, they can be fined under the Passenger Transport Regulation 2007.

Our staff are happy to assist by showing students how to use opal cards correctly.

### **SAFETY**

Students are reminded to remain behind the yellow line at all times unless boarding or alighting from the train.

Students are asked not to make contact with a moving train as it enters or departs the station. IE: running their hands along the length of the train. Making contact with moving trains is very dangerous and can result in serious injury.

CCTV surveillance cameras are operational at all train stations 24 hours a day and monitor all movements.

Help Points are provided at Train Stations in case of emergency.

### **RUBBISH**

Rubbish bins are provided at all stations for the students convenience. Littering is not permitted and fines also apply for not complying.

**RIDING OF BIKES, SCOOTERS, SKATEBOARDS AND ROLLER BLADES ARE NOT PERMITTED ON ANY STATION PLATFORM. FINES APPLY FOR THIS BEHAVIOUR.**

For more information please visit: <https://transportnsw.info/student-code-conduct>



Sydney Intercity Trains is a NSW Government agency

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM  
GRACE COACHES REGARDING SCHOOL BUS  
PASSES AND UTILISING THEIR SERVICES**



☎ 02 4938 1026  
✉ info@gracecoaches.com.au  
📍 52-54 Russell Street, Branxton NSW 2335

2025

**Re: School Bus Passes**

Dear Parent/Guardian,

This is a general reminder that the moratorium period has now ended.

It is crucial that students are enrolled for the 'School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS). The moratorium period allowed eligible students who have not yet ordered a student bus pass to order one and continue catching bus services in the meantime.

All bus passes applied for during the moratorium period have been sent via Australia Post to the respective addresses. If you have not yet received your bus pass, however did order one, please contact our office. Grace Coaches does not accept Opal Cards.

If students do not present a bus pass when utilising our services, they will be asked to order one. Children consistently not presenting a bus pass after counselling will be refused entry onto our services.

Bus passes can be applied for via <https://www.gracecoaches.com.au/school-services>, at the bottom of the page there is a link "How to apply and update school transport services". Please make sure 'Grace Coaches' is selected as the operator.

Regards,

**Cheraz Barker**  
Contracts & Compliance



# Canteen

Rutherford Technology High School canteen is operated by the P&C and offers online ordering through Flexischools. Our canteen has EFTPOS available and whilst we encourage cashless payments, cash is still accepted. Flexischools ordering **MUST** be in by **9:00am** and in accordance with Healthy School Canteens, pies and sausage rolls are only available at 'Break 1'.

## Canteen Roster

Monday 31st March 2025	<b>Volunteer Required</b>
Tuesday 1st April 2025	<b>Donna Nichols</b>
Wednesday 2nd April 2025	<b>Volunteer Required</b>
Thursday 3rd April 2025	<b>Donna Nichols</b>
Friday 4th April 2025	<b>Donna Nichols</b>
Monday 7th April 2025	<b>Volunteer Required</b>
Tuesday 8th April 2025	<b>Donna Nichols</b>
Wednesday 9th April 2025	<b>Volunteer Required</b>
Thursday 10th April 2025	<b>Donna Nichols</b>
Friday 11th April 2025	<b>Donna Nichols</b>

## IMPORTANT MESSAGE



## Flexischools Order Process

As previously advised, our canteen has a process for Flexischools order. This process is to ensure we do not have large amounts of food wastage due to caregivers/students who have placed an order through Flexischools from either being absent, arriving late or leaving early. food wastage affects the operating costs.

Flexischools orders for canteen staff is as follows:

- 9:00am cut off and orders printed.
- After first break any orders not collected, the item/s will be returned to stock.
- After first break canteen staff will provide our school administration office with a list of orders for second break to allow staff to check system for attendance. If a student is absent at this time the order will not be filled.
- Each day, all orders either not collected or unable to be filled due to a student being absent will be destroyed.

**PLEASE NOTE THIS MEANS THAT NO ORDERS WILL BE HELD OVER**

We request that if a student has an order through Flexischools and they will be absent that you login to Flexischools **before** 9:00am to cancel the order. Cancelled orders must be done prior to the cut off time in order for a refund to be processed.

Thank you for your understanding in this regard.



# Rutherford Technology High School Uniform Shop

## Price List

ITEM	PRICE
<b>GIRLS</b>	
Junior Girls Blouse	\$36.00
Senior Girls Blouse	\$36.00
Tartan Skirt	\$50.00
<b>BOYS</b>	
Junior Boys Shirt	\$36.00
Senior Boys Shirt	\$36.00
<b>UNISEX</b>	
Softshell Jacket	\$75.00
Everyday Shorts	\$35.00
Maroon Knit Fleece	\$65.00
Junior Polo	\$40.00
Senior Polo	\$40.00
<b>SPORTS</b>	
Sports Short	\$33.00
Trackpants	\$50.00
Sports Polo	\$40.00
<b>ACCESSORIES</b>	
Beanie	\$15.00
Scarf	\$20.00
White Socks Short-cut – 3 pack	\$20.00
<b>OTHER</b>	
Reusable Tote Bag	\$1.00

### Uniform Shop Hours:

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

**Thursday 1:00pm-5:00pm**

**Purchase Online: <https://daylightschoolwear.au/rutherford>**

**Please ensure all orders are collected from the Uniform Shop**

MASTERCARD, VISA & EFTPOS ACCEPTED & CASH ACCEPTED - NO CHEQUE PAYMENTS. NO LAYBY.

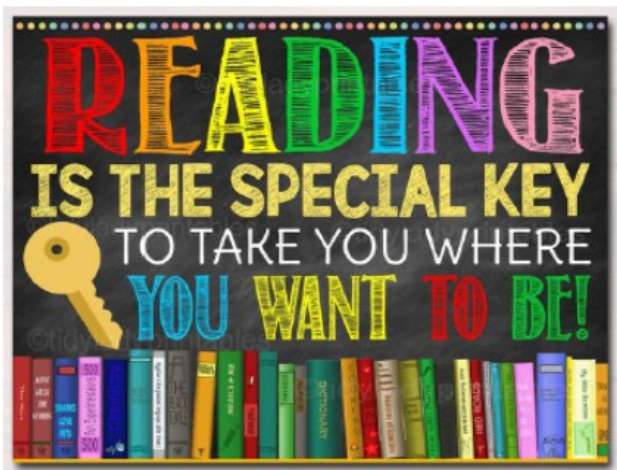
*\*Prices are subject to change without notice*

The wearing of school uniform at Rutherford Technology High School is mandatory. The school uniform is manufactured and sold by Daylight Sportswear at a dedicated onsite Uniform Shop at the school. This is the ONLY location that the school uniform is available for purchase.

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**RTHS students can easily loan books, eBooks & Audiobooks.**

- Students can browse and borrow a wide range of Picture books, Fiction and Non-Fiction books in paperback & hardcopy from the RTHS school library.
  - Students can borrow up to 3 books at one time with a 1 month borrowing period.
- Students can access and borrow eBooks & Audiobooks in the Wheelers collection.
  - Sign In (using student DET login) to <http://rths.wheelers.co/>

**Rutherford Technology High School eBooks**

Access our eLibrary anywhere, anytime, on multiple devices.

<https://rths.wheelers.co/>



Apps to access Audio & eBooks.



Home screen once accessed.

- Students can borrow up to 2 books (either Audio or eBooks) at one time with a 2-week loan period.
- Books return automatically after 14 days. If students are still reading, they need to renew the loan.
- Students can reserve books and will receive an email when the loan is ready to borrow.
- Check out the accessibility features to provide a more enjoyable experience when reading.
- There is over 2000 books to select from with new titles being added each month.
- Audiobooks are perfect for students who are hesitant to read.

At RTHS We encourage students to participate in the NSW Premier’s Reading Challenge.



If you are experiencing problems or have any further questions with accessing reading material, please contact library staff.

Happy Reading Everybody!



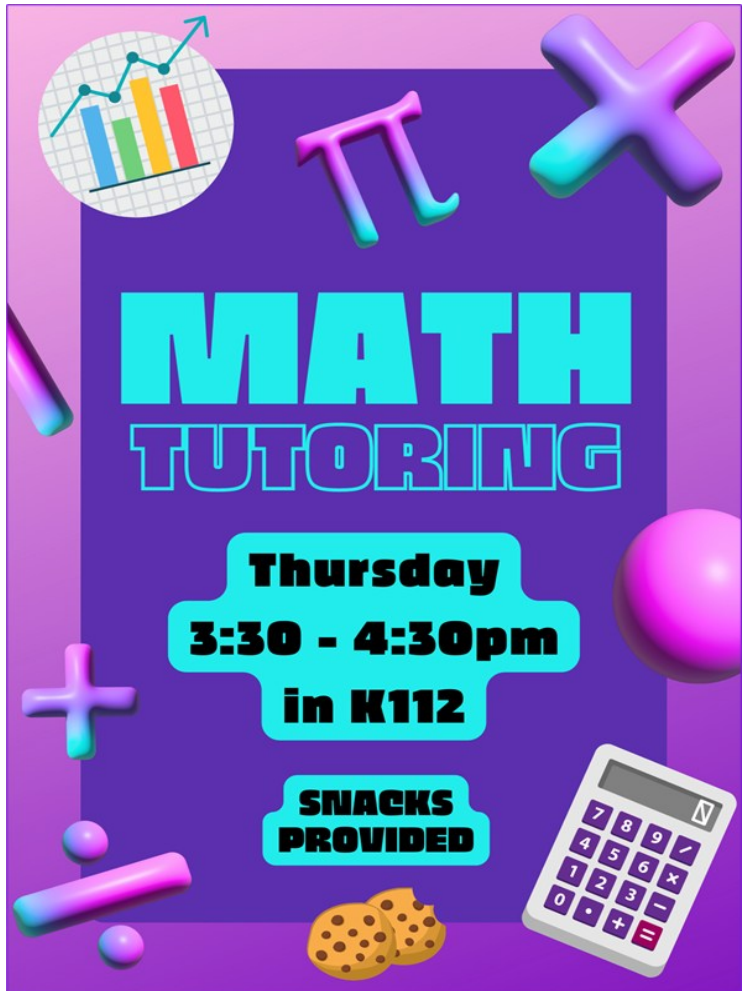
# HSIE WRITING



**WILL RUN EVERY THURSDAY**

## AND HOT CHOCOLATES

WHEN: 8AM-9AM  
WHERE: K24  
BRING: HSIE BOOK, PEN, ASSESSMENTS



# MATH TUTORING

**Thursday**  
**3:30 - 4:30pm**  
**in K112**

**SNACKS PROVIDED**



# RTHS

## HOMework CENTRE

OUR TRAINED STAFF ARE HERE TO HELP YOU!!

**WE CAN HELP YOU WITH:**

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



**Wednesdays**  
**3:25pm-4:00pm**  
**Library**


Refreshments Provided



## THE LEARNING COMMON

**open for both schoolwork access and general access.**

<p><b>Before school</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Schoolwork access is from 8:20am each morning.</li> <li>- General access is from 8:45am.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Recess &amp; Lunch</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Schoolwork access is available during the first 10 minutes of the break onwards.</li> <li>- General access is approximately 10 minutes after the initial bell to allow students time to eat and drink outside. As well as allowing quiet time for the students working in the library.</li> </ul>
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Youth  
Express

All Ages Event

2025 YOUTH WEEK

# Community Event & Youth Art Exhibition



Join us for a **FREE** fun evening of food, workshops, live music & Youth Art Display!



Time:  
4 PM  
Until 7 PM

Thursday  
**10**  
April 2025

1/12 Ken  
Tubman Dr,  
Maitland



Be sure to follow us on socials for event details & updates.



*\*\*All Children MUST be accompanied by an adult.*

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# SAFER DRIVERS COURSE

## EARN 20 HOURS TOWARDS YOUR LOGBOOK.

### BOOK SCHOOL HOLIDAY COURSES NOW!

[pcycdrivereducation.org.au](http://pcycdrivereducation.org.au)



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**Youth Week 2025**  
9 - 17 April

I am... ▾

- brave
- kind
- unstoppable
- add your own

(insert strengths)

# Youth Week | 9-17 April 25

# Program

We are the future,  
and the future is now!




**9 APRIL**

### Youth Evening Book Club – Wicked by Gregory Maguire

Join us for a relaxed and lively discussion about Wicked by Gregory Maguire. Expect fun bookish games, tasty treats, and great conversation in a welcoming, inclusive space.

6.30pm - 8pm  
Location: East Maitland Library, 3 Garnett Road, East Maitland  
Bookings essential via [mait.city/library](http://mait.city/library)


 **FREE**

**11 APRIL**

### Youth Week Live

Come and celebrate Youth Week with an unforgettable night of live music by local young people! Grab your friends and head to Maitland Regional Art Gallery for great tunes, good vibes and an incredible atmosphere.

5pm - 8pm  
Location: Maitland Regional Art Gallery, 230 High St, Maitland  
Bookings encouraged. For more information or to book email [mait.city/YouthWeekLive](mailto:mait.city/YouthWeekLive)

 **FREE**

**12-13 APRIL**

### Burton Automotive Hunter Valley Steamfest

A two day event jammed pack with a diverse program of family friendly entertainment including live music, roving performance, historic heritage walks, market stalls, gourmet food and more.

9am - 8pm and 9am - 4pm  
Location: Maitland Railway Station, The Garnham Grounds and Maitland Park

Entry to Maitland Railway Station and Maitland Park is free. Entry to Garnham Grounds is \$5 per person (free for under 16s)




**10 APRIL**

### Youth Express Youth Art Exhibition

Youth Express will transform its new office into a gallery showcasing talented local youth artists. See original artworks for sale, interactive displays, and hands-on workshops for all ages.

4pm - 7pm  
Location: 1/12 Ken Tubman Drive, Maitland  
No bookings required. Open to the community - access via front doors. Visit [youthexpress.com.au/events/](http://youthexpress.com.au/events/) for more information

 **FREE**

**12 APRIL**

### Learn to Skate – Woodberry Skate Park

Enjoy a learn to skate session led by professional coaches from Grundys Skateboarding and the chance to win prizes.

2pm - 5pm  
Location: Woodberry Skate Park, 41 Lawson Avenue, Woodberry

Limited skateboards and protective gear available. Registrations on the day. Contact Grundys Skateboarding Facebook Page for more information [facebook.com/GrundysSkateboarding/](https://facebook.com/GrundysSkateboarding/)

 **FREE**





14 APRIL

### Learn to Skate – Largs Skate Park

Enjoy a learn to skate session led by professional coaches from Grundys Skateboarding and the chance to win prizes.

2pm -5pm

Location: Largs Skate Park, Largs Avenue, Largs

Limited skateboards and protective gear available. Registrations on the day. Contact Grundys Skateboarding Facebook Page for more information [facebook.com/GrundysSkateboarding/](https://facebook.com/GrundysSkateboarding/)



FREE

15 -16 APRIL

### Junior Lifeguard course

Are you turning 16+ by September 2025, able to swim 400m and available for two days of training? If so, you could gain a Junior Lifeguard Qualification!

8.30am - 4pm

Location: Maitland Aquatic Centre

Limited positions available.

Book by Tuesday 1 April

0448 414 836 or [paul.robinson@maitland.nsw.gov.au](mailto:paul.robinson@maitland.nsw.gov.au)



FREE

17 APRIL

### Youth Tree Planting for Endangered Flying Foxes

A unique morning event dedicated to our endangered flying foxes, including an 'eat like a bat' morning tea, bushwalk, sit spots, nature craft and tree planting.

9.30am -12pm

Location: Beryl Humble Sports Complex, Metford Rd, Tenambit

Bookings essential via [www.maitlandlibrary.nsw.gov.au](http://www.maitlandlibrary.nsw.gov.au)



FREE

14 APRIL

### Youth Express Stand Out; Youth Resume Workshop

Learn essential resume writing techniques, key components and strategies to tailor your resume to stand out to employers.

9am -11am, 11.30am -1.30pm and 2pm and 4pm

Location: 1/12 Ken Tubman Drive, Maitland

Free -limited positions available. Suited to those ages 14-24. Bookings required [mait.city/ResumeWorkshop](http://mait.city/ResumeWorkshop)



FREE

16 APRIL

### Cyanotype Workshop for Teens with Artist Claire Paul

Discover the magical Cyanotype photographic process with artist Claire Paul. Using plants and other natural objects, learn to create your own Cyanotype composition.

11am -1pm

Location: Maitland Regional Art Gallery, 230 High Street, Maitland

Bookings essential via [mait.city/CyanotypeWorkshop](http://mait.city/CyanotypeWorkshop)



FREE

17 APRIL

### Wicked – Crafty Cinema

Follow the yellow brick road to our special Youth Week edition of Crafty Cinema. Embrace the spirit of Wicked by coming dressed as your favourite character from the world of Oz. Glam up with Oz-inspired face painting, and try your hand at simply wicked crafts.

6pm -9pm

Location: East Maitland Library, 3 Garnett Rd, East Maitland

Bookings essential via [www.maitlandlibrary.nsw.gov.au](http://www.maitlandlibrary.nsw.gov.au)



FREE

15 APRIL

### Clay Mask Workshop for Teens with Artist Indeah Clarke

Join Indeah for an airdried clay workshop creating your own mask.

1pm -3pm

Location: Maitland Regional Art Gallery, 230 High Street, Maitland

Bookings essential via [mait.city/TeenClayWorkshop](http://mait.city/TeenClayWorkshop)



FREE

16 APRIL

### Learn to Skate – Gillieston Heights Skate Park

Enjoy a learn to skate session led by professional coaches from Grundys Skateboarding and the chance to win prizes.

2pm-5pm

Location: Gillieston Heights Skate Park, Les Circuit, Gillieston Heights

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Youth Week







**MADA**

MAITLAND  
AGAINST DOMESTIC ABUSE  
COMMITTEE



## SAVE THE DATE

READING CINEMAS MAITLAND

FRIDAY 28TH MARCH

5:45PM - 8:00PM



**GET YOUR TICKETS HERE!**

For more information about this event follow the QR code to the [Humantix website link](#)

## MADA PRESENTS: MOVIE NIGHT FUNDRAISER FOR LOCAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE INITIATIVES

“Can She Do It?”

Join us for an inspirational, joyful and heartbreaking documentary of ‘Like My Brother’. The story of four young Australian Indigenous girls who dare to dream, taking up opportunities as they present, to play football at an elite level.

A quote from an audience member: “I loved this film! So moving and brilliantly made. Saw a preview at the Melbourne International Film Festival. Such a fresh and unique story that speaks beyond the bounds of a national game to a universal audience.”







**MOVEFORMADA**

# **FAMILY FUN RUN & EVENT**

MAITLAND AGAINST DOMESTIC ABUSE

FUNDRAISING EVENT

**SUNDAY 25TH MAY**  
9AM - 12PM AT HAROLD GREGSON PARK

**RUN, STROLL, PUSH OR WALK ALL AGES WELCOME**

**FAMILY FUN RUN  
FOOD, MUSIC & KIDS ACTIVITIES  
FREE COMMUNITY EVENT  
PROFESSIONAL & MARKET STALLS**



**DV PREVENTION & EDUCATION FREE FUNDRAISING EVENT**



**SCAN QR TO REGISTER & DONATE**

[WWW.MADA.ORG.AU](http://WWW.MADA.ORG.AU)



# MAITLAND PARK LIFT THE LID WALK

PHYSICAL HEALTH FOR MENTAL HEALTH 2025



Sunday, April 6, 2025

Walk commences at 9:00am

Maitland Park • Maitland NSW

Early Bird Registration before 21 March 2025 gets a free t-shirt

Scan the code below to purchase tickets





# RUTHERFORD FOOTBALL CLUB

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Registrations still open...

Having problems registering?

Come down to Norm Chapman Oval on Sunday between 9am-12pm to get help from the committee.

Entry Level 5-7 years	\$50
Junior 8-11 years	\$190
Junior 12-18 years	\$250
Senior 19+ years	\$350

Email: [secretary@rutherfordfc.com.au](mailto:secretary@rutherfordfc.com.au) or contact via Facebook

We still have some spots available in:

- U6 Girls
- U7's
- U9's
- U12's
- U14/15's

All Age Women Friday

Register via PlayFootball

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We express our appreciation and hope our school community can reciprocate.

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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:  
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