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# NEWSLETTER

23rd MAY 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

27th-30th May Reconciliation Week  
27th May UoN Law Student for a Day  
27th May Star Struck Rehearsals  
27th May H2GP Regional Practice Race  
28th May Year 10 Vaccinations  
30th May HSC Seminar Day  
30th May H2GP Regional Practice Race  
30th May Support Shopping Excursion (Gp 1)  
2nd-3rd June ABCN Aspirations Excursion  
2nd-4th June Yr 7 Great Aussie Bush Camp  
3rd June U/14 Girls R/L Country Cup Qualifier  
3rd June Year 12 Bake Sale Fundraiser  
4th June Year Meetings  
4th June Google Tour  
4th June Open Boys Volleyball  
5th June Open Girls Volleyball  
6th June Support Shopping Excursion (Gp 2)



On Thursday 15th May 2025, Eli, Suvan, Jeremiah, and Angus from Year 8 went to the site of *Black Rock Motor Resort* at Teralba. The visit was to discuss sponsorship for their F1 team in the STEM Racing competition - they were successful in signing them as their major sponsor.

The team learnt about the 5.4km FIA Grade 2 track being built on site and got to drive a few laps of the track on a simulator. Black Rock have agreed to arrange some visits with engineers and aerodynamics experts to assist our STEM Racing program and we believe this will be the start of an ongoing partnership with Rutherford Technology High School.



## MESSAGE FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

We've reached the halfway mark of Term 2, and there is a tremendous amount of work and progress occurring right across Rutherford Technology High School. It's a pleasure to share some updates and reminders as we continue to support our students in achieving their personal and academic best.

### Semester Reports

Our teachers are currently finalising assessments and preparing semester reports for all students. These will be distributed at the end of the term and will provide a clear snapshot of your child's progress, achievement, and areas for growth. These reports are a valuable tool for both students and families to reflect on learning goals and set a strong course for the second half of the year.

### Outstanding N Awards – Years 10, 11 and 12

A reminder to senior students and their families that it is essential to address any outstanding N Award Warning/s as soon as possible. These notifications are issued when there is a risk to the satisfactory completion of a course, usually due to missed assessments or inadequate effort. Students must act promptly to avoid jeopardising their eligibility for a RoSA or HSC credential. If you have questions please speak with the relevant Teacher or Head Teacher.

### Attendance – Every Day Counts

Daily attendance remains one of the most critical factors in student success. Every day at school matters. Missing just one day per fortnight equates to four full weeks of learning lost over a year. We thank families for their ongoing commitment to supporting student attendance and remind students that being present, on time, and ready to learn builds not only knowledge, but positive habits for life.

### Inclusion and High Potential Gifted Education (HPGE)

I would like to acknowledge the outstanding efforts of our staff in creating inclusive classrooms and opportunities for every student to thrive. This includes our work in the High Potential and Gifted Education program, which continues to evolve and offer enrichment opportunities across a range of domains – academic, creative, social-emotional and physical. It is heartening to see students being challenged and supported to reach their full potential.

### Focus on Explicit Teaching

This year, Rutherford Technology High School is proud to align with the state-wide focus on Explicit Teaching. This evidence-based approach provides students with clear learning intentions, success criteria, and direct instruction to build strong foundational skills. By adopting consistent, high-impact teaching practices, we aim to ensure that every student is making measurable growth in their learning journey.

### REAL Schools Program – Restorative Practice

We continue our partnership with REAL Schools to strengthen our culture of respect and responsibility through restorative approaches. This includes the use of circles for student engagement, relationship building, and conflict resolution. By empowering students to take ownership of their behaviour and repair relationships, we are nurturing a safe and supportive school environment that values connection and understanding.

As always, thank you to our families for your continued support and partnership. Together, we can ensure every student at Rutherford Technology High School has the opportunity to succeed and grow.

**Mr Michael Richards**  
Deputy Principal Year 7 & Year 10



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Regular attendance is essential for academic achievement and student wellbeing. To support students and families in understanding attendance expectations, please refer to the information below.

### Arrival Time

Students are expected to be on school grounds by **8:57am**, when the warning bell sounds. This allows students to be present for **Roll Call**, which delivers important daily announcements and ensures attendance is accurately recorded. Students arriving earlier should proceed directly into the school grounds and adhere to the school's **Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)** expectations.

### Late Arrival

Students who arrive **after 9:00am** must report to the **Front Office** to sign in. A **signed and dated note from a parent or carer** explaining the reason for the late arrival must be provided. Regular punctuality is strongly encouraged to ensure students do not miss key information delivered during Roll Call.

### Early Departure

If a student needs to leave school early, a **written note signed by a parent or carer** must be submitted to the **Front Office before 9:00am**. An **Early Leave Pass** will then be issued and can be collected at **first or second break**. Students must show this pass to their teacher at the beginning of the relevant lesson. A **parent or carer is required to collect the student** from the Front Office when leaving early, if, an Early Leave Pass has not been arranged prior.

### Student Absences

All student absences must be explained by a parent or carer. This can be done via:

- **Email**
- **Telephone call to the school**
- **Response to the school's absence text message**
- **A signed note submitted to the Front Office**

For planned extended leave or holidays, an **Application for Extended Leave** form must be collected from the Front Office and submitted **at least one week in advance**. Approval from the Principal is required for extended absences.

### Attendance Goal: Strive for 90% or Higher

Students are encouraged to maintain an attendance rate of **at least 90%**. This equates to missing **no more than one day per fortnight**. Maintaining high attendance is closely linked to positive academic outcomes, consistent learning progression, and student engagement. Every lesson counts, and regular attendance supports long-term success.

### Accessing the Parent Portal

For assistance with accessing the Parent Portal, please contact the **Front Office** via email at [rutherford-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:rutherford-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au) or by calling **(02) 4932 5999**.

Attendance is a shared responsibility between the school, students, and families. Ensuring students are present, punctual, and prepared each day lays the foundation for a successful school experience.

We appreciate your ongoing support in promoting the importance of regular attendance.

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



## CAPTAINS MESSAGE

On the Friday of Week 2, the school held its annual Athletics Carnival. Despite a few rain delays, the day was a success. Congratulations to all students who made it to Zone and also to the winning House 'WATPA'.

On the Tuesday of Week 3, the school SRC held its **Do It For Dolly** fundraiser. Students were approved to come dressed out-of-uniform and get their nails painted in various shade of blue, all for a gold coin donation. Thank you to all staff members and students who donated. The school raised \$622.00 to support youth experiencing bullying.

In the upcoming Week 6, Year 12 will be holding a 'Bake Sale' fundraiser. Many Year 12 students along with some generous staff members will be baking a variety of tasty treats and goods to be sold for no more then \$5.00. All money raised goes towards supporting Year 12 events held during their last week of secondary education.

On behalf of the student body, I would like to wish all members of the Rutherford Technology High School community well, especially those effected by the harsh weather, do stay safe and dry.

**Jeremy Bourke**  
School Vice Captain



Canteen week is a national annual event to recognise the importance of successful school canteens.

This is an opportunity to say thank you to canteen managers, canteen staff and canteen volunteers, as well as providing a chance to promote, recognise and celebrate all the benefits of having a school canteen.

On behalf of the students, staff and school community we say a very big thank you to Jenny, Donna, Aunty Barb, Vanessa plus all of the student and staff volunteers that work and volunteer their time in our school canteen.





On Wednesday 14th May 2025, four Rutherford Technology High School students participated in Round 2 of the NSW Junior Chess League Competition against Australian Christian College in Singleton.

Congratulations to all four boys, who won their individual matches, progressing to the next round (Round 3) within the tournament. Our students displayed true Rutherford Technology High School values of respect towards their opponents and commitment to improving their own individual games.

Well done boys!



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Two of our talented students, Eli (Year 8) and Logan (Year 9) have stepped up to share their passion for chess. Eli is organising an exciting 2025 RTHS Chess Series competition which runs in Week 9 of each term. Logan has begun coaching chess for all ability levels, teaching the basics as well as showing handy strategies to his peers.

Whether you're a seasoned player or just learning the ropes, these initiatives are the perfect way to sharpen your skills, test your tactics, and enjoy the thrill of the game.

Congratulations to all 16 players of the Round 1, Term 1, 2025 RTHS Chess Series.

The top 6 students are:

Levi.H	(Year 7)	25 points
Felix.F	(Year 7)	20 points
Charles.P	(Year 8)	15 points
Suvan.C	(Year 8)	12 points
Logan.K	(Year 9)	10 points
Alex.K	(Year 7)	8 points

All students say they are looking forward to playing again in Week 9 this term, with the intention to climb up the leaderboard.





## Term 2: Week 3 ~ PBL Awards

### Year 7

Zac.B  
Jasmine.S  
Levi.H  
Kian.M

Commitment to learning in Music  
Excellent focus and understanding during class activities in Mandatory Technology ICT  
Academic achievement in Mathematics  
Commitment to learning in PDHPE

### Year 8

Andrew.A  
Brock.W  
Breanna.V  
Mackenzie.M  
Liam.H

Showing commitment in Agriculture  
Excellent commitment to learning in English  
Excellent focus and understanding during class activities in Language  
Commitment to learning in Science  
Wonderful application to practical work in Technology Mandatory

### Year 9

Ben.Y  
Byron.H

Commitment to learning in HSIE  
Engaging in discussions during Work Education lessons

### Year 10

Shelby.T  
Brooke.C  
Ailani.M  
Zara.S

Effort and achievement in Drama  
Achievement in Term 1 Drama task  
Enthusiasm towards darkroom photography  
Dedication and commitment to learning in English

### Year 11

Jack.D  
Jack.G  
Brock.L

Application in Visual Arts 'Unseen Plates' assessment  
Working efficiently in Construction  
Consistent effort and application in Construction

### Year 12

Drew.F  
Georgia.M  
Grace.R  
Jacob.W

Academic achievement in Mathematics  
Commitment to learning in CAFS  
Commitment to learning in Biology Studies  
Excellence in Mathematical reasoning



# CONGRATULATIONS

## Term 2: Week 4 ~ PBL Awards

### Year 7

Lily.E	Commitment to learning in Elective Music
Rosina.JM	Commitment to learning in Visual Arts
Lincoln.F	Commitment to learning in Visual Arts
Mahali.U	Dedication and commitment to learning in English
Billy.T	Commitment to learning in History
Izzy.S	Consistent effort in Technology Mandatory

### Year 8

Daniella.B	Always displaying respectful language in class
Isabella.W	Excellent commitment to learning in English
Jaxon.L	Commitment to learning in Geography
Madison.G	Consistent effort and application to course work in ICT
Eli.S	Commitment to chess with organising and implementing in-school chess competitions on a regular basis

### Year 9

Lilly.S	Academic achievement in Mathematics
Jaxon.Q	Consistently displaying commitment to learning, having respect for all and responsibility in the classroom during Science lessons
Blayne.M	Working hard during all TAS lessons and always willing to help others

### Year 10

Riley.B	Showing commitment in Agriculture
Nathalie.K	Always striving for her best in Photography
Sandra.W	Effort and achievement in Drama
Jazz.A	Commitment to learning in Dance

### Year 11

Leo.C	Consistent application to all class work in Information and Digital Technology
Jack.W	Commitment to learning in Society & Culture
Charli.H	Academic achievement in Mathematics

### Year 12

Avery.Mc	Effort and achievement in Drama
Luca.Z	Excellent progress in Construction
Alana.N	Showing a mature and committed attitude towards English Standard
Bailey.E	Improved participation and consistency in completing tasks in ICT







On Friday 9th May 2025, Luke Bellamy from Year 7 and Jadan Tucker from Year 9 competed at the NSW Schools MTB Series Round 2 held at Awaba - the race is a combination of a lap-based XC event with Funduro fun.

**Mountain Bike Cross Country (XCO)** racing is just like you see at the Olympics, while beginner-level **Gravity Enduro** racing is known as Funduro and doesn't require body armour or full-face helmets as the tracks aren't super technical, steep, or high-speed.

XCO: The cross-country race is where riders complete a set number of laps. The course varies by age group to suit skill levels.

Funduro: Riders' times are recorded on three specific track sections. The fastest attempts on each segment are combined to determine the winner. There are usually two Funduro tracks that will be recorded while you are racing the cross-country track, however, at Awaba there was only one Funduro track in the cross country.

Series points are awarded for both XCO and Funduro events, contributing to individual and school scores. The event focuses on fun, participation, and being active.

Luke finished 6<sup>th</sup> in the Cross Country Section and 12<sup>th</sup> in the Funduro, from 53 riders in his age group.

Luke & Jadan's combine times seen them finish 16<sup>th</sup> out of 27 schools in Funduro Section and 20<sup>th</sup> from 33 schools in the Cross Country Section.

*Information and MTB photos supplied by Luke Bellamy*





# RTHS TSP Rugby League



## Under 13 Boys Rugby League Country Cup



An awesome day out was had on Tuesday 13th May 2025 for our Under 13 Boys Rugby League team.

The team participated in the Country Cup Gala Day at Raymond Terrace. It was the first taste of high school Rugby League for the majority of the players. The team showed heart, hustle, and outstanding teamwork throughout the day and pushed all the way to the semi finals.

These boys did Rutherford Technology High School proud with their sportsmanship and spirit - we couldn't be more impressed.

## Under 18 Boys University Shield



Last Thursday our Under 18 Boys played in the Hunter University Shield Gala Day played at Lakeside Sporting Complex, Raymond Terrace.

After winning the title in 2024, our boys were in the sights of all the schools competing on the day.

Having two gritty wins early in the day, the team struggled in game three against a competitive Hunter River High School. The loss meant the boys crashed out of the competition for 2025.

As a school, we would like to recognise the efforts over the years of those students who have played their last games for Rutherford Technology High School.

Well done to all the boys who played on the day.

Thank you to the Major Sponsor of our TSP Rugby League Program  
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# RTHS TSP Rugby League



## TSP Girls Rugby League Skills Sessions



On Monday 12th May, 2025 we kicked off our first Girls Skills Session with current WNRL Knights player, Georgia Roche.

Georgia will be attending our school each Monday to work closely with our Stage 4 and Stage 5 Female TSP Rugby League students.

These sessions will aim to assist our students to develop confidence, increase their knowledge and to allow them to further improve their understanding of the technical side of rugby league.

Thanks again to Georgia for coming out to our school and spending time with our girls.

## TSP Rugby League Success at Hunter CHS Trials



Rutherford Technology High School had some of our TSP Rugby League students participate in the recent CHS trials for both Rugby League and Rugby Union.

First of all, a massive congratulations to Year 12 student, Ashton Allen, who was selected in the CHS Greater Northern Under 18 Rugby League team. After playing a starring role in the Knights Harold Matthew's grand final in Sydney, Ashton then travelled to South West Rocks for the trials the following day. Ashton's selection in this team is a fantastic achievement and one that the TSP Rugby League family is very proud of.

We also had our school Rugby Union representatives fly the flag for Rutherford Technology High School at the Under 16 CHS Rugby trials, which was played on the Central Coast. We are still waiting on the results of the team selections.

Congratulations to Cody Holland, Asera Peniata, Angel Ngungutau and Samuel Ngungutau, who spend numerous hours training in several teams. We would like to acknowledge the hard work and commitment they continually display.



Thank you to the Major Sponsor of our TSP Rugby League Program  
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# TSP Football News

## Bill Turner Under 15 Girls

On Tuesday 6th May 2025, the Under 15's Bill Turner Girls side played their Round 2 football match against Hunter Valley Grammar School.

In what was due to be a tough Round 2 match, the girls came out firing with a lot of the ball spent in the opposition half. A strong first half display with some great passing and ball movement saw us take a 3 - 1 lead into half time, with goals from Emily S, Lo-Anne D and Lily Q. A great second half defensive display allowed us to hold onto our first half lead and advance to the third round of the competition as 3 - 1 winners.

We are so proud of the work ethic, commitment, resilience, passion and ability our girls put in with a huge supportive Rutherford Technology High School crowd to cheer them on.

We look forward to our next match against St Bede's in the area quarter final.

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## Open Boys

On Wednesday 14th May 2025, the Open Boys Football team played their regional quarter final match against Newcastle High School at Speers Point. A few late injuries left us depleted on numbers but with great heart and effort we put up a valiant effort against a very strong Newcastle High who went on to knock us out of the competition.

We are very proud of the teams dedication and achievement to make the regional quarter finals to finish 7<sup>th</sup> out of 41 schools. Rutherford Technology High School was the only school outside of the Newcastle/Lake Macquarie area to make it to the quarter finals.

Congratulations to the players who made their debut for the school and we acknowledge the Year 12 students who have now played their final representative football match for Rutherford Technology High School.

We appreciate your years of commitment, effort and attitude in representing Rutherford Technology High School over the years.

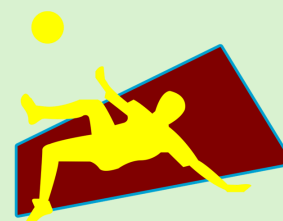
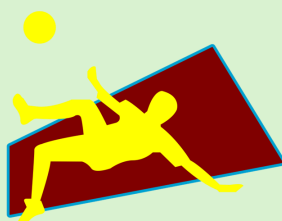
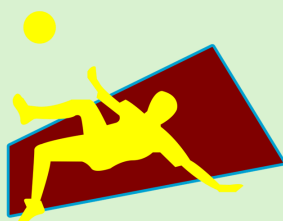
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## Bill Turner Under 15 Boys

Congratulations to our U/15 Boys Bill Turner Football team who have advanced to the next round of the tournament.

We travelled away to Muswellbrook on Thursday 15th May 2025 to take on St Joseph's Aberdeen. The boys walked away as 4-0 winners with two goals to Ronin.M and two goals to Max.F. An outstanding performance across the park against a strong St Joseph's side sees us move on to play the winner of Maitland Grossmann v St Peters.

We are proud of the teams commitment, attitude and performance in representing Rutherford Technology High School.





# TSP Football News

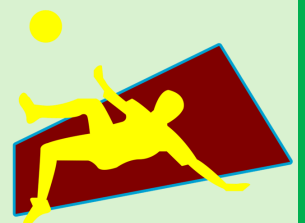
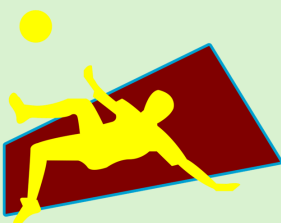
## Bill Turner Under 15 Girls



## Open Boys



## Bill Turner Under 15 Boys



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# ATHLETICS CARNIVAL



9th May 2025



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RTHS Year 12

# Bake Sale

*Fundraiser*

In the Lower Quad  
Between A Block and K  
Block

TUESDAY  
3RD JUNE  
WEEK 6

Nothing  
over \$5

SALE



Various Sweet treats  
will be available to  
purchase



## NSW SCHOOL VACCINATION PROGRAM

Each year NSW Health works in partnership with schools to offer the vaccines recommended by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) for adolescents as part of the school vaccination program.

In 2025 the following vaccines will be offered:



YEAR	VACCINE	NUMBER OF DOSES	DATE
Year 10 (Round 2)	Meningococcal ACWY Vaccine	Single Dose	28th May 2025
Year 7 & Year 10 (Round 3)	Catch Up Day		5th November 2025

Schools will distribute a URL and a QR code to all Year 7 and Year 10 parents at the beginning of the 2025 school year which will provide access to an online Parent Information, privacy statement and consent form.

To consent to the vaccination of their child, parents/guardians are advised to:

- Enter the URL into your browser, select the School Vaccination Program tile and follow instructions.
- Read all the information provided.
- Complete the online consent form and give consent for which vaccine/s they would like their child to receive.
- Ensure that their child eats breakfast on the day of the school vaccination clinic.

To improve vaccination completion, students whose parents/guardians have provided consent while in Year 7 or Year 10 and who miss vaccine doses at any clinic, will be opportunistically offered these vaccines at each clinic visit throughout 2025 (Year 7 or 10) & 2026 (Year 8 or 11).

Parents/guardians who wish to withdraw their consent for any reason may do so by amending their student's online consent.

The Procedure for Withdrawal of Consent is available on the NSW Health website at [http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/withdraw\\_consent.aspx](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/withdraw_consent.aspx)

***A Record of Vaccination will be provided to parents by SMS once a student has been vaccinated. Parents/guardians should not assume that their child has been vaccinated if they do not receive this SMS notification.***

**NOTE:** If you experience difficulty with accessing the online consent package, please speak with the School Vaccination coordinator at your school.




To provide consent for routine school vaccinations online, scan the QR code to give consent now or visit:

<https://engage/health.nsw.gov.au/engage>



### Rutherford Technology High School Vaccination Dates:

Round 2	Year 10	28th May 2025
Round 3	Year 7 & Year 10 Catch Up	5th November 2025



NSW Health

## Meningococcal ACWY vaccination

### Parent Information Sheet

NSW Health offers the vaccines recommended for adolescents by the National Health and Medical Research Council in a school vaccination program. Signed parental/guardian consent must be provided.

**Your next steps:**

- Carefully read this information sheet.
- If you would like your child to be vaccinated against meningococcal ACWY please provide your consent online or request a paper based consent form from your school.
- If you do not wish your child to be vaccinated against meningococcal ACWY, do not provide consent.

**Q. How do I provide consent for school vaccination?**

To provide online consent you will need:

- your Service NSW log-in details and Medicare card details for you and your child.
- If you or your child do not have a Medicare card, consent can still be provided by requesting a paper-based consent form (available on request from schools).

Parents can withdraw consent at any time before vaccination takes place.

Where consent has been given online, please log-in to the secure NSW Health online consent portal and follow the prompts to withdraw consent.

Where consent has been given on the physical consent form, please write to or call the school to advise the student's name, school, grade and those vaccines the withdrawn consent applies to.

**Q. What is meningococcal disease?**

Meningococcal disease is a rare but serious infection that usually leads to meningitis (inflammation of the lining of the brain and spinal cord) and/or septicaemia (blood poisoning).

Symptoms of meningococcal disease may be non-specific but may include sudden onset of fever, headache, neck stiffness, joint pain, a rash of red-purple spots or bruises, dislike of bright lights, nausea and vomiting.

**Q. How is meningococcal disease spread?**

Meningococcal bacteria are passed between people in the saliva from the back of the nose and throat. This generally requires close and prolonged contact with a person carrying the bacteria who is usually completely well. An example of 'close and prolonged contact' is living in the same household or intimate (deep) kissing. Meningococcal bacteria are not easily spread from person to person and the bacteria do not survive well outside the human body.

**Q. How do vaccines work?**

Vaccines work by triggering the immune system to fight certain infections. If a vaccinated person comes into contact with these infections, their immune system is able to respond more effectively, preventing the disease developing or greatly reducing its severity.

**Q. How effective is the meningococcal ACWY vaccine?**

A single dose of meningococcal ACWY conjugate vaccine is very effective in providing protection against these four types of meningococcal disease. The vaccine does not protect against meningococcal disease caused by type B.

**Q. Who should be vaccinated in this program?**

All students in Year 10 in secondary schools, and those aged 15-19 years attending Intensive English Centres, should be vaccinated to be protected against meningococcal serogroups A, C, W and Y.

**Q. Who should not be vaccinated?**

Meningococcal ACWY vaccine should not be given to people who have had anaphylaxis:

- following a previous dose of meningococcal vaccine
- following any of the vaccine additives

People with a known hypersensitivity to diphtheria toxoid should also not be vaccinated with meningococcal ACWY vaccine.

Up to 10 per cent of meningococcal infections are fatal even with appropriate antibiotic treatment, and survivors may be left with long-term complications.

<p>Meningococcal ACWY vaccination</p>	<table> <tr> <th data-bbox="172 123 542 2074">Parent Information Sheet</th><th data-bbox="542 123 1522 2074">Parent Information Sheet</th></tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="172 123 542 1099"> <p>Parents can request a copy of their child's AIR Immunisation History Statement at any time up to their child being 14 years of age, and students aged 14 years and over can request their own immunisation history statement, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>using the Medicare online account through <a href="http://myGov.my.gov.au/">myGov my.gov.au/</a></li> <li>using the Medicare Express Plus App <a href="http://www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/subjects/expressplus-mobile-apps">www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/subjects/expressplus-mobile-apps</a></li> <li>calling the AIR General Enquiries Line on 1800 653 809.</li> </ul> <p><b>Q. What will happen to my child's information?</b></p> <p>The information you provide on the Consent Form is subject to strict confidentiality and privacy protections contained in NSW and Commonwealth legislation (see the enclosed Privacy Statement). The information will be entered into a NSW Health immunisation register and then uploaded to the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) so it can be linked to your child's existing immunisation history and viewed on MyGov.</p> <p><b>Q. Where can I find more information about school vaccination?</b></p> <p>More information is available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>by visiting the NSW Health website at <a href="http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/schoolvaccination">www.health.nsw.gov.au/schoolvaccination</a></li> <li>by contacting your local public health unit on 1300 066 055</li> </ul> </td><td data-bbox="542 123 1522 1099"> <p><b>Q. 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Should the vaccine be given to a female student who is or thinks she may be pregnant?</b></p> <p>No. Any female student who is, or thinks she may be, pregnant should not be vaccinated. On the day of the clinic the vaccination nurse will ask female students if they are or could be pregnant. If a student answers yes to this question, she will not be vaccinated. The student will be urged to immediately discuss the issue with her parent/guardian and to seek medical help. She will also be provided with contact details for a health referral service that will provide advice, support and guidance.</p> <p><b>Q. What if my child has asthma and takes cortisone or prednisone by a "puffer"?</b></p> <p>Meningococcal ACWY vaccine can be safely administered to someone who has asthma regardless of which medications they are taking.</p> <p><b>Q. 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# 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 26th May 2025	Vanessa Edwards
Tuesday 27th May 2025	Donna Nichols
Wednesday 28th May 2025	Volunteer Required
Thursday 29th May 2025	Donna Nichols
Friday 30th May 2025	Donna Nichols
Monday 2nd June 2025	Vanessa Edwards
Tuesday 3rd June 2025	Donna Nichols
Wednesday 4th June 2025	Volunteer Required
Thursday 5th June 2025	Donna Nichols
Friday 6th June 2025	Donna Nichols



## RUTHERFORD TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

### 2025 CANTEEN MENU

Everyday Food, Occasional Food

#### BREAKFAST ITEMS:

(ONLY Available 8:00am-9:00am)

- Banana Bread \$1.50
- Pancakes \$3.00
- Cheese Toastie \$2.50
- Ham & Cheese Toastie \$3.50
- Hash Brown \$1.50
- Yoghurt \$3.00
- Yoghurt & Fruit Box\*\* \$3.00

#### SALADS:

Salad Boxes

Available Boxes to Order \$3.50-\$6.50

Options:

Salad: Chicken, Caesar; Chicken Caesar

Size: small, medium, large

(price dependant on option and size)

- Zucchini Slice & Salad Box (GF) \$5.50

#### DRINKS:

Water:

- 350mL \$1.00
- 600mL \$2.00

Juice-250mL:

- Orange \$3.00
- Apple \$3.00
- Apple Blackcurrent \$3.00

Chilli-250mL:

- Watermelon \$3.00
- Raspberry \$3.00
- Blackcurrent \$3.00

Juice Bombs-250mL:

- Apple/Cola \$3.00
- Apple/Raspberry \$3.00
- Orange/Passionfruit \$3.00

Milk-300mL:

- Chocolate \$3.00
- Strawberry \$3.00

Milk-500mL:

- Chocolate \$4.00
- Strawberry \$4.00
- Iced Coffee \$4.00

Various Flavoured Milk-500mL: \$4.00

(vanilla malt, banana, caramel coffee)

- Good Brekkie Choc. Flavour \$2.50
- Plain Milk-600mL \$2.50
- Frozen Blizzard \$2.50
- Hot Chocolate\*\* \$2.50

#### HOT FOOD:

- Chicken Burger \$5.50
- Chicken Burger Salad \$6.50
- Cheeseburger \$5.50
- Chicken Gravy Roll \$5.50
- Rissolo & Gravy Roll \$5.50
- Lasagne (avail. for ORDER ONLY) \$5.50
- Chicken & Corn Soup+Dinner Roll\*\* \$5.00
- Pumpkin Soup+Dinner Roll\*\* \$5.00
- Cheese Toastie \$2.50
- Ham & Cheese Toastie \$3.50
- Spinach Ricotta Roll \$3.50
- Zucchini Slice (GF) \$3.00
- Zucchini Slice (GF) & Salad \$5.50
- Garlic Bread \$2.50
- Plain Pie FIRST BREAK ONLY \$4.50
- Cheese & Bacon Pie FIRST BREAK ONLY \$5.00
- Sausage Roll FIRST BREAK ONLY \$3.50
- Chicken Chippies (6) \$4.00
- Chicken Nuggets (6) \$4.00
- Nachos (ONLY Avail. Mon/Wed/Fri) \$7.00
- Meatball Sub \$5.50
- Pizza \$5.50
- Fried Rice \$5.50

Available to Order:

Small Hot Meal \$5.50

Options Include: Carbonara, Mince Chow Mein, Butter Chicken & Rice, Satay Chicken & Rice, Beef Stroganoff, Honey Mustard Chicken & Rice, Curry Chicken & Rice, Veggie Stir Fry, ORDER ONLY, Pasta Bolognese, Potato Bake, Spaghetti Bolognese, Curried Sausages & Mash, Potato, Cottage Pie

#### SANDWICHES, ROLLS & WRAPS:

Sandwiches:

Available to Order \$3.00-\$6.00

Options: Vegemite, Egg & Lettuce, Curried Egg, Salad, Chicken Salad, Cheese & Tomato, Ham, Cheese & Tomato

(price dependant on filling)

Rolls:

- Salad Roll \$5.00
- Ham Salad Roll \$5.50
- Chicken Salad Roll \$5.50

Wraps:

- Salad Wrap \$6.00
- Chicken Salad Wrap \$7.00
- Ham Salad Wrap \$6.50
- Caesar Salad Wrap ORDER ONLY \$6.50
- Chicken Caesar Wrap \$7.00
- Sweet Chilli Chicken Tender & Salad Wrap \$7.50
- Half Wrap (Assorted) \$4.00

#### SUSHI:

Sushi Rolls:

- Cucumber & Avocado \$4.50
- Chicken & Mayo \$4.50
- Smoked Salmon & Avocado \$4.50
- Teriyaki Chicken & Avocado \$4.50
- Tuna & Avocado \$4.50

Sushi Packs:

- Tuna Hosomaki Pack \$6.00

#### SNACKS / OTHER:

- Piece of Fresh Fruit \$0.50
- Freshly Cut Watermelon\*\* \$3.50
- Freshly Made Fruit Salad\*\* \$3.50
- Yoghurt \$3.00
- Yoghurt & Fruit Box\*\* \$3.00
- Eucalyptus Drops \$0.80
- Chocolate Cookie \$1.50
- Finger Bun / Muffins \$2.50

#### ICE CREAMS:

- Juice Ice Blocks \$1.50
- Ice Cream Cups \$2.00

(vanilla, mango, choc malt)

#### CHIPS / POPCORN:

- Deli Rock Chips: Sea Salt \$1.50
- Deli Rock Chips: Honey Soy \$1.50
- Lightly Sea Salted Popcorn \$2.50

#### SAUCE / EXTRAS:



- Tomato/BBQ/Sweet & Sour \$0.50
- Extra Fillings \$0.50
- Butter/Mayo/Mustard \$0.20
- Bread Roll \$1.20
- Fork/Spoon \$0.05

Canteen is open before school from 8:00am and at Recess & Lunch

Volunteers are always needed-please contact the school 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.

\*\*Only Available Term 1 & Term 4

\*\*Only Available Term 2 & Term 3

@ 28th April 2025




# Uniform Shop Hours

**Tuesday 8am - 12pm**  
**Thursday 1pm - 5pm**

Shop Coordinator  
Vanessa

[Shop Now](#)

[www.daylightschoolwear.au/rutherford](http://www.daylightschoolwear.au/rutherford)

\*\* Standard uniform shop trading hours during school terms

## Rutherford Technology High School Uniform Shop



Please note that this is the current price list and Daylight Sportswear have informed us of an upcoming price increase coming into effect on Monday 25th August 2025

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

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.

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.

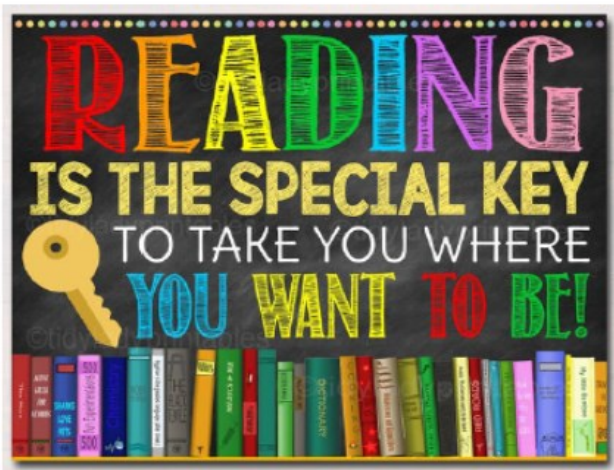
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RESPECT

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COMMITMENT





Reading enables a 360-degree growth of an individual. It develops your thought process, expands your viewpoints and keeps your mind active

#### BENEFITS OF READING



### 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!

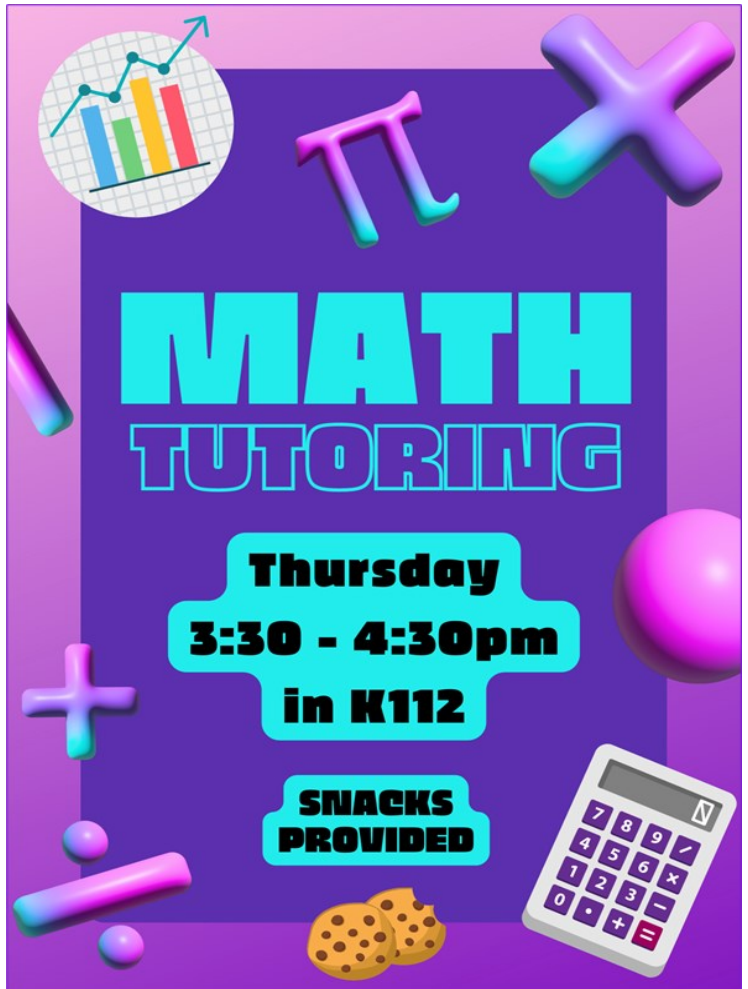
# HSIE WRITING



**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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### It's time to fundraise for Rutherford Technology High School!

It's time to help raise some funds for our school!

Rutherford Technology High School P&C Association is holding a small Thompspon's Pie Drive Fundraiser with the delivery the last week of term so just in time to fill your freezer for the upcoming school holidays.

An order is on the last page of this newsletter or alternatively you can order online via Flexischools.

Orders, together with payment, are due by **9:00am Friday 13th June 2025** to Lexi or Maxine – **NO** late orders will be accepted.

Delivery/collection date is: **Wednesday 2nd July 2025.**

If you have any questions please contact Lexi or Maxine.

**Thank you for your Support!**





## Please Donate to RTHS Morning Tea



[Scan to Donate](#)



**RUTHERFORD**  
TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

Scan the QR code to donate.  
You will be directed to RTHS fundraising page where  
you can donate directly to RTHS morning tea.

**Raise a cuppa to a  
cancer free future.**

## WELCOME TO SCHOOL BOWLS

Clubs supporting Students



It's Local

**TEAM UP and PLAY**



### PARENTS

**No extreme registration fees - yeah!!**

Non Contact - **SPORT** - everyone plays.  
Supported via the governance of the local  
bowling club.

**TRAINING** ■ AFTER SCHOOL

Club mentors with:  
'Working with Children' accreditation.

**HEALTHY** .. outdoor environment.

**FUN** .. age appropriate activities.

Contact:  
Club's Bowls President







**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)

RTHS SUPPORTERS

**Harvey Norman**  
Maitland



Maitland



**Bakers Delight** *Rutherford*  
We're for real.

The staff and students who are involved in the Wellbeing programs would like to acknowledge the generosity of 'Bakers Delight' Rutherford who provide us with bread and Woolworths Rutherford who provide us with a variety of fresh fruit.

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

**Woolworths** *The fresh food people* **Rutherford**

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>

RESPECT

RESPONSIBILITY

COMMITMENT



**FUNDRAISING ORDER FORM**

For: Rutherford Technology High School P&C Association



Total: \$									
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Name:

**Contact Number:**

**ORDER FORM TOGETHER WITH PAYMENT TO BE RETURNED BY:  
9:00am FRIDAY 13th JUNE 2025  
\*\*\*NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED\*\*\***

Pie Drive Collection Date:

WEDNESDAY 2nd JULY 2025

Collect From: **RUTHERFORD TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL**