MEDIEVAL DAY 2015

Last week our Year 8 students had a fantastic time participating in Medieval Activity run by 'History Up Close' and the Humanities department. Activities included learning about arms and armour, clothes and lifestyle, music and dance, Viking games, harm and healing, science experiments, medieval pancakes and calligraphy. Lunch time was exciting too with Mrs Mackenzie and her team showcasing their expertise in archery on the oval. Many students and teachers dressed up which added to the festive vibe on the day.

Here are some student comments when asked about what they had learnt:

Jess in 8C, '14 year olds could be married to 45 year olds'

Alicia 8C, 'Women are pregnant most of their lives''

Ruby 8A, 'Armour is heavy and medieval music is beautiful'

Sam 8A, 'Peasants were not allowed to marry who they wanted'

Ebony 8E, 'In music and dance there was a hurdy gurdy' and 'It was an amazing day and I learnt a lot'.

Rose 8D, 'I learnt that chain mail alone weighed 11 kgs and that musical instruments were made out of horns'

Ethan 8D, 'I learnt that stocks are actually called the pillary'

No name, 'I learnt how to make butter and pancakes cooked in oil'.
STUDENTS WHO ARE UNWELL

A REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS (AND STUDENTS TO NOTE). IF YOUR CHILD IS UNWELL THEY ARE TO GO TO SICK BAY FIRST.

STUDENTS ARE NOT TO PHONE THEIR PARENTS. STUDENTS WHO DO WILL BE IN BREACH OF SCHOOL RULES AND THIS WILL LEAD TO CONFISCATION OF MOBILE PHONES.

JENNY BUCKLEY, SICK BAY COORDINATOR, WILL CALL PARENTS IF THEIR STUDENT IS UNWELL AND NEEDS TO GO HOME.

ROSEBUD SECONDARY COLLEGE HAS A CLEAR MOBILE PHONE POLICY:

Unless directed by a teacher for a specific education purpose, all mobile devices including iPod's & mobile phones should be switched off at school.

Where a teachers direction is not followed, electronic devices will be taken for the day and returned at the end of the day. In the case of repeated transgressions the device will be returned to a parent.

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Please note that the RSC Newsletter is only available online.

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UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

TUESDAYS
8:30AM -11:30AM

THURSDAYS
12:00PM - 4:00pm

2nd HAND BOOKS....

A REMINDER TO ALL PARENTS WHO PLACED BOOKS IN THE 2ND HAND BOOKSTORE TO SELL. PLEASE CONTACT THE BOOKSHOP on 5986-8595 OR DROP IN TO COLLECT CHEQUES OF ANY SOLD ITEMS.

MATHS TUTORING IS BACK!!

Free Maths Tutoring Sessions are back every Thursday after school from 3:00 - 4:00pm

Years 7-9 Room 111

Years 10-12 Room 113

Senior tutoring is also available on Wednesday afternoon in Room 111.

Bring your homework or come to get extra help. Any questions, please contact the Maths Department at the College.

This year Rosebud Secondary College will again be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn Program.

Please help support this fantastic program and our school by collecting the Earn & Learn stickers and placing them in the Rosebud Secondary College boxes located at the local Woolworths supermarkets, or at the College front office.

Every sticker counts so start collecting! Thankyou
Hello to the Rosebud Secondary College community. It is hard to believe we are approaching mid-term already. Hopefully we are past the worst of the weather and will move into warmer months. This is the time that students need to apply themselves as we start progress reporting and our Year 12s approach the end of their school year and the exam period in early Term 4. There has been much happening over the past few weeks, particularly with the hosting of our sister school visitors from Gamagori-Higashi Senior High School who returned home last week.

It’s has been a pleasure to host our visitors this term as part of their Victorian Study Tour. This relationship has been developed over a 25 year period and keeps getting stronger. I’m left in no doubt about this since seeing the value of this visit over the week we hosted it. There are a number of benefits that come from participating in these tours. There is an educational benefit, but we also want to expose our youth to the world and make them better citizens through understanding their place globally. I would like to thank the staff from both schools for taking the time to organise this visit and support the students - some who I imagine have travelled overseas for the first time. Mr Morishima, who represented the school once again as Vice Principal. Ms Okimura and Ms Horii who ably assisted in coordinating the visit. To Mr Sugiura, who represented the PTA at GHSHS who have given ongoing support to this study tour. I would also like to thank our sister school coordinator Laura Sykes and Language staff who assisted with the visit. Thank you to Mr Fujimoto, who assisted with translation of my speeches to our visitors. Thank you to staff members Geoff Seletto, Keiji Fujimoto and James Marsland who hosted the staff from GHSHS during their stay. We look forward to hosting again and visiting Japan with our study group in 2016. [http://www.rsc.vic.edu.au/?p=1577]

On Friday 31st July the College held the annual “Medieval Day” for Year 8 students. This was not only a day of great fun for the students but was also educational with various presentations and activities. I would like to thank Jen Feldhofer for her leadership in the Humanities KLA and all the staff involved who got into the spirit with dressing up, participating and assisting on the day. I would also like to thank Carolyn Mackenzie who gave an archery demonstration during the lunch break.

On Tuesday 4th August we held the Fit2Drive (F2D) workshops for our Year 11 students. This program is vitally important for students as they approach P1 driving. F2D started on the Mornington Peninsula after a tragic accident that claimed three teenage lives. The program has seen a dramatic turnaround in the road death and trauma statistics for this area and is now seen as best practice in its approach. The program focuses on passenger behavior when driving but also reinforces positive driver behavior. I would like to thank all the presenters who assisted on the day. This program has been run in local schools free of charge due to the success of the Arthurs Seat Challenge which raises funds for the program. I encourage the school community to get behind this event later in the year. [http://www.rsc.vic.edu.au/?p=1559] [http://www.arthursseatchallenge.com.au/]

On Tuesday 4th August we held the mid-year Year 7 Awards night. This was a great chance to recognise approximately 40 students for giving their “best effort”. The awards were based on the recent semester one reports. It was great to see such a good turnout of families in support of their children on the night. We now look forward to the end of year awards night in December.

Organisational matters

We are now well into winter and have noticed some students are not bringing correct uniform to school such as jumpers and spray jackets for the colder months. We ask for family support regarding uniform as we cannot accept continual notes asking for uniform passes. As a general rule a pass is only issue for one day. If you are unsure about uniform or accepted shoe styles please check the school diary or website for more detailed information or contact the school. [http://www.rsc.vic.edu.au/?page_id=138]
CAMPS SPORTS EXCURSIONS FUND: APPLY NOW

We previously advised that applications had to be lodged before Friday 26th June 2015. This has been extended until 15th September 2015. So . . . . check out the eligibility requirements on [http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/health/Pages/csef.aspx](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/programs/health/Pages/csef.aspx) and if eligible, get your applications in as soon as possible. The sooner you lodge your applications at the office (we need to copy your concession card or DHHS letter for foster parents), the sooner funds can be allocated to your child's camp, sport or excursion charges. For those who lodged applications last term, your funds should be arriving in your schools account this week. The CSEF fund is paid to eligible families with students in Years 7-12 and unspent monies can be rolled over to the following year.

WANT TO GET A HEAD START ON 2016 or HELP WITH 2015?

Did you know it is only 12 school weeks until students begin Jumpstart?

During the last school holidays many eligible families should have received their final payment of the SchoolKids Bonus. A payment from the Federal government to assist families with the costs of educating their children.

Funds received can be transferred to your account here at school and can be used towards the purchase of items on the booklist from Lamont, uniform items from Neumann Clothing or for paying the Essential Education Items charge for your student. This can be done using the BPAY information on the bottom of your financial statement or if you prefer to use direct credit, contact the school for bank details and reference code, to readily identify your deposit.

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2015 Lynne Kosky Memorial VCAL Scholarships

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Is your child better suited to a hands on approach to learning? Have you considered studying VCAL in Years 11 and 12?

If so, the Department of Education and Training have announced a new Lynne Kosky Memorial VCAL Scholarship that recognises the outstanding contribution Lynne Kosky made to education and training in Victoria.

Two scholarships are available for students in Year 10 who plan to study VCAL in Years 11 and 12 as a pathway to further study, employment or training.

Each VCAL Scholarship will be valued at up to $25,000 in $5,000 grants each year over 5 years of study, training or apprenticeship.

Applications are now open and close on Friday 18 September. Apply online via the Department website: [www.education.vic.gov.au](http://www.education.vic.gov.au)
Is your son or daughter in Year 9?

Year 9 students of Rosebud Secondary College are being invited to take part in a world-first study being run by leading researchers at the University of Melbourne. The study is about looking at ways of building good emotional health and wellbeing among young people. Information about the project was sent home with students recently.

We would like to invite your son or daughter to take part in this exciting new project. Our research aims to learn more about enhancing wellbeing and strengthening valuable life skills such as confidence, resilience, responsibility, and leadership. We know that these qualities are important to leading a full and successful life. Research shows that developing these strengths early in life can pave the way for future achievement in school, employment and relationships.

To help us understand more about the characteristics of typical secondary school students, we are asking young people to complete a number of questionnaires. The information that we gather in the surveys will be compared with information from students in other schools who are taking part in outdoor youth programs. Comparing these two groups will help us to find out whether young people can develop skills and qualities that build wellbeing and resilience.

This is the first time that research like this has ever been done. Involvement of your son or daughter will contribute valuable information to a unique and important study. This information will help guide schools and health professionals in developing further programs and approaches to support young people in the future.

If your son or daughter would like to participate, please complete the green consent form sent home from school recently (the form can be found at the back of the Information Pack you should have already received). Please return completed forms to school as soon as possible. If you have any questions, or would like another copy of the form, please contact Lauren Rose (ph: 9035 7700; email: oypra-study@unimelb.edu.au) or Geoff Pattison at school. Thankyou for your support!

MORE MEDIEVAL DAY PICTURES
**Book Week 2015 - Books Light Up our World**

**Book Week** preparations are well under way and the library team are getting very excited about, what we consider to be, the best week in the school year! One of the highlights will be our visiting **author Mandy Ord** who will share her journey in becoming a graphic novelist with our Year 7 & 8 students in the SPAC on Tuesday 25th August.

Our other blue ribbon event will be the **Living Library** which runs over two afternoons, Wednesday 26th August and Thursday 27th August. We have a fabulous line up of guests coming into our library to tell their stories. Actor Steve Bastoni who is also the director of the *Peninsula Short Film Festival*, Barrister Paul Santamaria from the Victorian Bar, Senior Station Officer Neil Schlipaluis from the Sorrento Fire Brigade, photographer Yanni from the local newspaper and one of our own English teachers Brendan Murray who is a published author will spend time with some lucky Yr7 & Yr8 classes on Wednesday during the last two periods. The following afternoon some more Yr7 & 8 classes will be given an opportunity to select from an equally interesting catalogue of Living Books including Station Commander Steve Burt from the Victorian Police, musician Anthony ‘ToK’ Norris from the *Black Sorrows*, Police dispatcher Rachel Murray from Police HQ, sculptor Blair Sturzaker and Kakoda Trail trekker Shane Nelson who is the subject of the documentary *A mile in a man’s shoes*.

Each morning junior school classes will be read to, there will be a **quiz** about our English staff’s favorite fictional character and a **book folding** activity on the Monday & Tuesday at lunchtime. Students will be invited to go on a ‘blind date’ with a book, wear **badges** about their favorite books and our ‘most improved’ readers will be awarded **prizes** for their involvement in the Read Every Day program.

Remember to keep a look out for our display of the **Children Book Council of Australia 2015** award winners. Our students will feel the warm glow that books bring into their lives at RSC.
Book Week 2015

Books light up our world

Mandy Ord - visiting author Tuesday 25th August

Mandy Ord is a Melbourne-based comic artist. She has published two books, a graphic novel called *Rooftops* (2007) and a book of short stories called *Sensitive Creatures* (2011). Mandy has self-published her work and contributed stories to a wide variety of international anthologies such as *Eat the Sky, Drink the Ocean*, literary journals - most notably *Meanjin, Voiceworks & Trouble* as well as newspapers such as *The Age*. In 2004, she was nominated for the Ledger Award for her comic *Dirty Little Creep*. Mandy has been invited to appear at *The Melbourne Writer’s Festival* again this year.

Mandy will talk to our Yr7 & Yr8 students about her own development as a published cartoonist as well as various genres within the medium that influence her work. She’ll take them through a brief history of comics as a literary form and some of the fundamental components that make up writing stories with words and pictures combined.

“I was asked by someone the other day the question ‘when did you start drawing comics’. It occurred to me with slight surprise that I had always drawn comics. But when I was younger I don’t think I ever used the word. I guess I considered them more ‘drawing’.

One night a couple of years back I was approached by Erica Wagner of Allen & Unwin about the possibility of doing a book. Honestly I was in shock. Me? My first thought was ‘oh man, I’m going to have to come up with something really good!’ But as if she was reading my thoughts she said, ‘We just want you to do what you already do’. It was quite amazing to know that being myself and expressing myself creatively in the way that felt right to me was the ‘right thing to do’.”

(Mandy Ord, 11th August 2011)
INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE SCHOOL AT SYDNEY UNIVERSITY

Over the term two break I was lucky enough to get a scholarship to the International Science School at Sydney University. At night we stayed at the Kincopples Girls Boarding School in Rose Bay. During the day we had different activities at Sydney University, mostly to do with science, such as physics. There were two lectures each day and the presenters were really good, especially Dr. Karl who was pretty funny in his crazy clothes and sort of mad explanations.

The other kids were awesome and came from all over Australia with some overseas kids from New Zealand, Thailand, India, America and the UK. During free-time we were allowed to roam Sydney city; some of us went Ice skating and to the Sydney Zoo which was really good, but Melbourne Zoo is better.

At the closing ceremony we were all given a commemorative medallion and formal photos were taken.

I would recommend that if there are any opportunities like this in the future, you apply and give it a go.

Clay Hodgson, Yr. 11.

EVER WANTED TO WORK BACKSTAGE AT THE THEATRE?

A new project is starting up at Rosebud Secondary College and we are inviting teenage girls who are interested in working backstage in the theatre to be a part of it!

If you have an eye for design, or know someone who does, please contact Ms Mackenzie on 5986 8204.
ROSEBUD GIRLS EXCELL AT TABLE TENNIS

Congratulations to both the Intermediate and Year 8 girls table tennis teams who progressed through their respective District competitions without losing a match. As the pennant winners both teams will now progress through to the next stage of competition. This will most likely be a Final against the winner of the Frankston District of schools.

Team members were;

**Year 8:** Mikayla Johnston, Alana Sango, Katelyn Brownlie, Alysia Morgan and Michelle Sugue.

**Intermediate:** Jordy Allen, Lily Tanaka, Mardi Gillespie-Dawson, Sophie Beagley and Briar Stevenson

The year 8 boys team finished 5th out of six schools and the Intermediate boys team finished 3rd.

**Year 8:** Bailey Wirth, Bryce Trembeart, Nick Wrigley and Kane Hannah

**Intermediate:** Jacob Long, Mitchell Humphrey, Cameron Chrystie, Leon McShane and Dylan Suric

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YEAR 8 BOYS & GIRLS HOCKEY

On Wednesday 12th August RSC sent out 2 teams to play Hockey. They came up against tough opposition that included state players, both teams played extremely well and in good spirits.

The boys team came 2nd and the girls team came 3rd overall.

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SPORT NEWS - $10 Charge

Please remember that each time your child goes out of the school for sport there is a $10 charge, payable to the front office before the day. Failing to do this may result in your child not going on the sporting activity.
Social networking tips for parents

Social networking is a great way to keep in touch with friends and family as well as meeting new people with similar interests and hobbies.

Here are some tips to follow when you feel your child is ready to begin engaging with social networking sites like Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter:

- If you haven't already got an account, set one up so that you can understand what your child can and can't do as well as learning how to adjust the privacy settings. You can use fake information if you aren't comfortable using your own.
- Make sure your child is old enough to use the site. Sites like Facebook and Instagram require users to be 13 years or older.
- Tell your child to keep their passwords a secret otherwise other people may log on and pretend to be them. It is important that you know your children's password however.
- Advise your child to set their account to private so that they will only interact with people they know in real life and aren't approached by strangers.
- Encourage your child to think carefully before they post any information online. Things they post on social networking can have an impact on them even after they delete it and long into the future.
- Help your children to set up their location services on their device so that they aren't broadcasting their location to strangers.
- Remind children to be careful when making new friends online as some people may not be who they say they are and ensure your children never arrange to meet an online friend unless accompanied by a trusted adult.
- Make sure you know how to report inappropriate content on social networking sites and show your child what they should do if they come across anything inappropriate.

COMMUNITY NEWS

IMPACT PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS

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