On Wednesday afternoon, the Mayor Bev Colomb officially launched the Wellness Pavilion project. Hailed as a physical and meditative space for youth to ‘become the best versions of themselves’ the Wellness Pavilion offers meditation programs, counselling support and innovative programs for Rosebud Secondary College students, and families and youth within the wider community.

Speaking at the launch, Mayor Colomb said the initiative “Provided youth and their families with a place to reflect and address the many challenges they may face in their daily lives, and learn mindfulness techniques as they engage with life-affirming options and gain self-confidence.”

“Youth experiencing challenges such as depression self-harm and victimisation can have well founded fears and worries around the concept of who they are and what their options are. We cannot forget the concerning statistics that every year 1 in 7 primary school students and 1 in 4 secondary school students will suffer with a mental health issue, and 75% will never receive help” the Mayor said.

VIP ambassadors Dr Craig Hassed, Mark Dobson and Sally Fitzgibbons applaud the initiative, emphasising the importance of contemplative places of retreat like the Wellness Pavilion.

“In this modern world there is such a pressing need to provide broader support and life-skills for children and adolescents and I believe that mindfulness is life’s most important life-skill. It is therefore tremendous to hear that the Rosebud Secondary College and wider community are getting so interested in providing support for mindfulness and building the Wellness Pavilion. I hope and expect that it will be a great success,” Dr Craig Hassed said.

Rosebud Secondary College students also spoke at the launch to reinforce the importance of the facility to not only student wellbeing but also for the impacts it will have in the broader community.

The major focus now goes on to raising the funds to build the facility and early approaches to potential donors has been very positive. We are seeking donations of time (tradespeople for example who are prepared to donate their time and expertise for relevant parts of the building and landscaping process), materials or money. All donations of $2 or more are fully tax deductible. The college website (www.rsc.vic.edu.au) has been updated to have a homepage mini feature which connects to the Wellness Pavilion to enable people to register their support for donations directly. Everyone who makes contact will be followed up to secure their interest and to keep them informed of the progress to follow.
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.

SUBSCRIBE TO OUR ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER

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You can subscribe to receive a fortnightly electronic version through our Website: www.rsc.vic.edu.au

or directly at http://eepurl.com/blPcPH

Hard copies are available at the front office for anyone without internet access.

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. We are now approaching the interim reporting period so it is important all students make sure they are up to date. Currently we are running red alerts and any student identified will need to clear these in order to stay up to date. Red alerts give your child the opportunity to work with their teachers to address any issues and gain the most out of the school year. This term you will see a whole new interim report format which we have been introducing to students over the last week. A key feature of the new interim report format is the use of ATLs (Attitudes to Learning) criteria. These criteria align with key skills that students need to demonstrate in 21st century learning under four main areas of organisation, collaboration, communication and personal learning. We are now completing work that will lead to changes to the end of semester report format, with much of this work examined on our recent professional development day. Please read the information when published as it will help with interpreting these reports and gaining the most out of conversations with your child and their teachers.

This week we held the Wellness Pavilion launch for this community project. We had many people attend from the school, various service clubs, community organisations and local council representatives. This project builds on the mindfulness work that is being completed across the school and will construct a purpose built space for mindfulness classes and room for our wellbeing team to work with students. Full details of this project can be found at the link below. This project while very big needs the support of all members of our community. We will be holding a “Mindfulness Festival” at the Boneo Maze as a fund raiser in November and encourage all families to be involved.

http://www.rsc.vic.edu.au/?feature=wellness-pavilion

This week is book week and there have been a range of different activities occurring across the College. On Tuesday 25th August well known author Mandy Ord visited the school to speak to students about her books and writing. Over the last two weeks I have visited a number of Year 7 classes to talk to them about my reading and favourite books. We know that reading is a skill for life and I encourage all students to engage in wide reading as the benefits are well proven.

This week our students will participate in the annual Wakakirri dance challenge. After the success of last year we are looking forward to seeing how our students perform this time around. Some of our senior students have led this work along with staff member Brea Low. We wish them the best of luck and will have a full report in the next newsletter.

On Thursday 20th August the College hosted a visit from Disability Sport and Recreation Victoria. Gary Connor spoke to the VCAL students about his disability and the circumstances of the workplace accident that led to it 27 years ago. Gary hosted a basketball game for the VCAL students and a teacher vs students match during lunchtime which was great entertainment for all. The school would like to congratulate VCAL students Linton Hardy, Maddy Wale and Jayseph Strahl who coordinated the event and also held a sausage sizzle to raise funds.

Last week we held the first of our two Presentation Balls. This was a wonderful night for all involved with our students having a great night demonstrating their dance skills in front of family and friends. The dances showed how well our students had worked over the last few months developing their skills and confidence to perform. I would like to thank Robyn Van Lieshout and her team of helpers who have once again coordinated this event with great success. I would like to thank all involved on this fantastic night.

Organisational matters

1:1 Laptop information evening: Monday 31st August. This is for all current Year 8, 9 & 11 students. We will outline the program and ordering process. Please see details included in this newsletter.

Parent teacher interviews day: Thursday 10th September- 12:00- 7:00pm. Students are required to attend interviews only on this day. There will be no classes running.
CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND

DO YOU HAVE A STUDENT AGED BETWEEN 5 & 18 YEARS?
If you answer YES, please keep reading.

ARE YOU THE HOLDER OF A HEALTH CARE CARD or PENSION CONCESSION CARD?
If you answer YES, please keep reading.

Were you the holder of this concession card on 13th April 2015 or 13th July 2015?
If you answer YES, please keep reading.

HAVE YOU COMPLETED A CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSION FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION?
If you answer NO, then you REALLY need to keep reading!

The CSEF is payable to eligible families with school aged children attending a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. The amount credited to your account at school is $125 for primary students and $225 for secondary students.

As the name implies, this fund can be allocated towards costs associated with Camps, Sports or excursions. Here at Rosebud SC the following are examples of what may be covered by the CSEF:
Year 7 Camp, Year 8 Medieval Day, Year 9 City Experience, Central Australia, Year 12 Conference, Outdoor and environmental studies, VETiS Sport & Recreation, Interschool Sport competitions, any other excursions or incursions.

BUT I HAVE A CHILD IN YEAR 6 or YEAR 12, WHY DO I NEED TO APPLY? I hear you say!
Any unspent funds from primary school for your student should be transferred to the Victorian secondary school your child will attend. Unspent funds for your Year 12 student will be available for you to use towards camps, sports or excursions for younger children at Rosebud SC.

HOW WILL FUNDS BE ALLOCATED?
Permission forms for camps, sport activities and excursions need to BE RETURNED TO THE OFFICE - not the teacher. We have added a tick box at the bottom of these forms to indicate CSEF will be used. Whenever we receive an information that your child will be attending an eligible activity and, CSEF is available, funds will be allocated to the activity from the CSEF credit on the students account.

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.
YEAR 9 AFL DEVELOPMENT COURSE
Primary School Coaching

On Tuesday 25th August the AFL Development Course started their coaching program by visiting Rosebud Primary School. The boys didn’t know what hit them when there were 50 eagerly waiting grade 4 students, ready to hang off their every word. As part of the course, the students had to come up with an hour long training session and they then had to put that into practice. The students performed extremely well and left a great impression. Words of encouragement were flowing, as to sympathetic ears and ways to improve their skills. One comment from one of our student’s was ‘Mr Powell, this is the hardest thing I have ever done!’. The Primary School students were very receptive to the students and enjoyed all sessions. We will be back at Rosebud Primary School for two more sessions and then to help out on their ‘Footy Gala Day’.

Glenn Powell (Teacher)

YEAR 12 TERTIARY APPLICATIONS FOR 2016

This is a reminder to ALL YEAR 12 students and their parents that applications for Tertiary Courses for 2016 closes on Wednesday 30th September (last week of the holidays). If students wish to seek assistance with their application through the Careers Pathways Office at school, then now is the time to act. Many students have already completed their applications but with limited time available for assistance to the end of Term 3, students will invariably be disappointed if they leave their application until the last minute. Students who feel confident can complete the VTAC application process at home.

*PLEASE NOTE: Students can make applications after the 30th September BUT SIGNIFICANT FINANCIAL PENALTIES APPLY.

SEAS – Special Entry Access Scheme. After school presentations for students and parents have already taken place and all Year 12 students have been sent the Power Point presentation via SMT. SEAS acknowledges short and long term disadvantage that may have impacted on an individual’s ability to achieve their best during the Year 12 year.

Students who consider they are eligible for SEAS will need to gather Supportive Evidence which also would need to be completed before the end of this Term to comply with VTAC deadlines (SEAS applications are due in at VTAC by Tuesday 6th October (second day of Term 4).

ALL Year 12 students have been informed of these timelines, but parents may wish to have conversations with their Year 12 students to ensure they are managing the process of post secondary schooling to achieve the best outcomes.

Any queries please contact the Careers Pathways Office on 5986 8595
Janette Pearman
Careers Pathways Coordinator
LOTE: SKYPE WITH BALI

"Year 7 class work with Pak Andre from IALF (Indonesia Australia Language Foundation). On the 18th of August 7B Indonesian students had the fabulous opportunity to participate in a Skype tutorial session with Pak Andre, an Indonesian teacher who is situated in Denpasar, Bali.

Pak Andre is a member of IALF and helps support the language skills and pronunciation of Indonesian language learners. This was arranged by Ms Simpson and Ms Roberts via LLS (Language Learning Space), a wonderful online application with various interactive resources. During this session students were able to practice their language skills, discuss and work on the topic of ‘Makan Waktu’ = (Eating Time) for example how they spend their time. Students were instructed in Indonesian only and their demonstrated level of understanding was exceptional. They all actively participated and worked collaboratively with Pak Andre. 7B Indonesian students have certainly come a long way since beginning Indonesian this year."

WEAR IT PURPLE DAY

Wear it Purple is a national day which raises awareness in Australia about issues faced by same sex attracted, intersex and gender diverse young people, and our international need to eradicate bullying based on sexuality and gender diversity.

Wear it purple has a simple message: “You have the right to be proud of who you are”. Who you love and how you define yourself does not change that.

Rosebud Secondary College wants to be a safe place for all young people, within which every student is free to learn, grow and belong.

On Monday 31st August (Day 1) we will celebrate Wear it Purple day by encouraging all students and staff to wear a Splash of Purple to show their support for this important message.

This means students (and staff) at the college can wear an item of purple clothing or a purple accessory to the normal school uniform.

For example, this may look like a purple ribbon in the hair, a purple arm band, or a purple shirt and normal uniform, or purple socks and regular uniform, a purple scarf or tie and normal uniform etc. (There is no cost associated with this event and normal school rules relating to piercings, make-up, ear-rings, shoes, and hoodies etc, apply).

Jeanette Trembearth, Adolescent Health Nurse
PARENT REMINDER

Recently we have experienced a number of parents attending the school and expecting to see a staff member immediately. This is sometimes due to students contacting their families during the school day. We would ask that parents please follow normal process and request an appointment time as we cannot respond immediately to many requests and sometimes need to gather information before meeting. Your cooperation in this would be much appreciated.

19 August 2015

RE: 1:1 Laptop Program

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Following the success of the 1:1 laptop program in Years 7 and 10 in 2015, Rosebud Secondary College is proud to extend the program to all students for next year. As such an information evening is being conducted as per following details:

When: Monday 31st August
Where: College Main Staff Room, enter via the SPAC
Times: Session 1: 5pm OR Session 2: 6.30pm

These sessions are for all current Year 8, 9 and 11 students and their parents and will run for approximately 45 minutes.

The information delivered on the night will outline how the program will run at the College and the ordering process. There will be representatives from our supplier Edunet also attending to answer questions.

Lenovo 11E Convertible Notebook with active stylus option
Lenovo Work-In Case *Other options available

If you cannot attend the evening please either visit the College’s website (www.rsc.vic.edu.au) and select the 1:1 Laptop link, or contact the College via phone.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Nicholls
Principal

Adam Vardanega
eLearning Coordinator
PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

This group have become very active, very quickly in support of the College. In addition to lending assistance with the Fathers’ Day Breakfast they are working towards assisting the running of the first major fundraising event for the Wellness Pavilion which will be held at the Boneo Maze on Saturday November 28th, from 11am to 3pm. The program is now under construction and will feature food stalls, yoga classes, guest speakers, live music and mindfulness sessions. The full facilities of the Boneo Maze will be open and the day will be constructed around a picnic theme.

Once again, put a ring around that date and we will keep you well informed of the program as we approach the date. We look forward to strong support from the broader College community and visitors to the Peninsula.

The Parents and Friends Association welcomes your involvement and we will list meeting dates in the next newsletter. In the meantime if you would like to register interest in becoming involved, please phone the office on 5986 8595.

FIRST ANNUAL FATHERS’ DAY BREAKFAST

Put a mark on the calendar for Friday September 4th (7:30am – 8:30am) for the inaugural Fathers’ Day Breakfast. We encourage Dads and their children to call in for a cooked breakfast, as something a bit special for them ahead of Fathers’ Day on the Sunday. This has become something of a tradition now across Primary Schools, and we reckon it is about time we made Dads feel a bit special too. The challenge from this will be how to recognise Mothers’ Day next year as well, something we will be open to ideas for. There will be plenty of complimentary bacon and egg sandwiches and there is the distinct possibility that we can add complimentary hot porridge to the menu if we get a good response to it. This is Ziggy’s secret recipe and a big hit at the regular Breakfast Club mornings in Term Three.

Please enter via the driveway off Boneo Road, and we will be set up next to the Hall.

For this event, we ask if you can pre order via the tear off slip below, returning the slip to the front office, or phone orders on 5986 8595:

Fathers’ Day Breakfast: Friday September 4

Name: __________________________ Number for breakfast: ________

Number of bacon and egg sandwiches: _________ Number of bowls of porridge: ______

Please return, with payment to the front office or phone your order on 5986 8595

Thank you.
YEAR 8 SPORT

On Wednesday August 12th over 60 students participated in the Interschool Sport Competition. Although the results weren’t exactly what the students’ wanted, all players played to the best of their abilities. Congratulations to the Girls Table Tennis Team who have made it through to the next level. Other results included: Basketball; Boys 5th, Girls 4th, Hockey; Boys 2nd, Girls 3rd, Table Tennis; Boys 4th, Girls 1st, Futsal; Boys 5th, Girls 2nd. Well done to all students who participated. I hope that you enjoyed the day and that you will be a part of the Interschool Sport program next year.

Mr Powell (Sports Coordinator)

JUNIOR GIRLS FOOTBALL

On Thursday July 30th the Junior Girls Football Team played in the Region finals. The girls were pumped for a big day and after wins against Kooweerup and Gleneagles we were pitted against the might of Frankston. The weather conditions were well suited to penguins in the Artic but the girls soldiered on. With a couple of injuries early we went in with a 2 goal buffer, however knowing we would be kicking against a huge breeze. The girls fought it out hard but unfortunately, with the last kick of the day lost by 5 points. The girls were very disappointed (so to the Goal Umpire who had to give the goal!) at the result, however played very well throughout the day. Thanks to Georgia Walker and Suede Croad for coaching the girls and getting them this far.

YEAR 8 GIRLS NETBALL

On the 23rd of July we went along with two netball teams filled with 18 eager and talented Year 8 girls, to Mornington Netball Courts, to compete with our neighbouring schools.

The A team, consisting of Jasmyn, Mikayla, Kate, Jacqui, Kiara, Courtney, Katelyn, Daekota, and Alicia played hard throughout the day, playing a total of 5 games and winning 2. Within the 5 games Katelyn Hearn, Courtney Alexander, and Jacqui Mark all got a best on court award, but our most outstanding player was Jasmyn Greenfield who got two best on awards. She was not only a great player but also an excellent team member and leader.

The B team coached by Mr Powell and Olivia Okey, consisting of; Charlie, Harriet, Crystal, Ebony, Abbey, Bella, Alice, and Alana played really well as a team even though a few girls had never played before. Unfortunately they were only able to play 2 games and didn’t win either but put their best efforts in to every quarter and always kept their heads high.

Overall it was a really enjoyable day, we would like to thank Mr Powell for taking on the role of being head coach and putting up with a bunch of girls, even though we didn’t get Maccas’!

From Casey Raphael and Hollie Dunston the A team coaches.
GOOD LUCK TO OUR WAKAKIRRI TEAM

60 performers will compete on Friday 28th August at Frankston Arts Centre as part of the Wakakirri Challenge 2015. For the past 6 months Sophie Armstrong and Alexandra Dellaportas have been leading a talented bunch of students to create a 7 minute dance piece titled “One of Us”. The story revolves around two sisters who are separated during the Holocaust. The piece is not only beautiful and intelligently crafted but it is also a very dramatic and emotional piece.

Through the use of movement, music, costume lighting and projection, the students will be sure to deliver a piece that upholds their reputation as a “professional dance company”. To all of our 2015 Wakakirri team, thank you for your dedication and passion during this experience and a huge GOODLUCK to you all - no doubt you will be fabulous! Tickets available at Frankston Arts Centre.

Photos courtesy of Yanni Dellaportas

STATE SCHOOLS SPECTACULAR

The State Schools’ Spectacular participants have been rehearsing long and hard to prepare for the September 12th performance at Hisense Arena. This has consisted of 4 regional rehearsals with professional choreographers in Melbourne, as well as weekly and after school rehearsals since February. The students are doing an amazing job to prepare for what truly will be a ‘spectacular’ performance alongside 2000 students from other Government Schools across Victoria.
Buy your tickets for the show at:


Miss Leah Willis
The ConocoPhillips Science Experience is a three-day/four day hands-on science activities program being conducted in 33 universities and tertiary institutions around Australia in 2015/2016.

These programs are designed for students in years 9 and 10, years in which they will make significant decisions about senior secondary and tertiary level studies. Our aim is to inform students of the importance of science and technology while stimulating and heightening their interests in a wide range of science disciplines and career opportunities, encourages further studies in the sciences, while at the same time giving them a ‘taste’ of university/tertiary life.

Places are still available in 30 out of the 33 program conducted around Australia.

A typical program includes:

- Welcome
- Hands-on activities in tertiary labs
- Information on further study and career options with exposure to the 'top' people in their field
- Associating with 'budding' young scientists to form lasting friendships
- Excursion/industry visit
- Closing ceremony BBQ or other social activity

The ConocoPhillips Science Experience is designed and managed by the Science Schools Foundation Inc. As well as being promoted and actively supported by Rotary clubs, the Australian Science Teachers Association and the Young Scientists of Australia.

The full cost of enrolment is $120 per student for the 3 day program and $160 per student for the 4 day program and Rotary sponsorship is often available for those who need it. There is no selection process and students can enrol online at www.scienceexperience.com.au or post/fax the registration form to our office in Monbulk.

A soft copy School Newsletter item or a e-brochure and/or further information can be obtained by calling 03 9756 7534 or email admin@scienceexperience.com.au

Yours sincerely
J. Bellars
National Director
Science Schools Foundation
COMMUNITY NEWS

IMPAAKT PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS

YOUTH FILM FEST

Open to young people aged 10–25 who live, work or go to school on the Mornington Peninsula

Entry is free and applications close Wednesday 9th September

For entry conditions and more information contact Jackie Rickard on 5950 1666 or go to www.impys.com.au

First Prize $1000
Second Prize $500
Third Prize $250

OPEN DAY

September 9 | 9.30am - 2.30pm

You are invited to enjoy a day with Karingal.

Take part in some great activities and check out fantastic client creations, including art, mosaics, cooking, plants, photos, films, drama, sewing, music and crafts.

When: Wednesday, September 9
Time: 9.30am - 2.30pm

Where: Peninsula Community Theatre
Corner of Wilsons Rd and Nepean Highway
Mornington

For more information: Please contact Marilyn 5950 0102

Everyone welcome - bring your family, friends and carers!

GET A PAID GAP YEAR JOB OR VOLUNTEER ABROAD!

Want to get a job or volunteer overseas on your Gap Year? Antipodeans Abroad organises paid work and volunteer placements for students in amazing destinations such as Canada, UK, Peru, South Africa and more.

- Application Days will run in School Holidays (Tues 22 - Thurs 24 Sep 2015).
- Complete the Application Form and schedule a time to speak to us.
- Students who attend an Application Day get priority over other Applicants!

Limited 2016 positions available. Apply online today
Apply online at antipodeans.com.au
Email amy@antipodeans.com.au for further information