

# Rosehill College News

**15+  
BEST**

**WEEK 4 – It's best to put yourself out of risk of failure.**

**15+ means gaining more than 15 credits in every subject.**

**BEST means getting all the credits on offer and at Merit and Excellence.**

**Students identified as 'at risk' will now be mentored to make sure they don't fail.**

**Every fortnight Tutor Group Teachers will receive a summary of the credits and grades students have achieved and will speak to each student about them.**

Practice examinations take place in Week 6 of this term.

If students are worrying about remembering material in examinations, then practice and repetition will get it into their long-term memory, which means studying for the practice exams.

## Dates to Remember

**Wednesday 13 May**

Te Roopu Awhina Hui and AGM - 6.00pm

**Thursday 14 May**

BOT Meeting - 7.00pm

**Wednesday 20 May**

Parent Forum - 6.30pm

**Tuesday 26 May**

Senior Exams start

**Friday 29 May**

Senior Exams end  
Junior Workday

**Monday 1 June**

Queen's Birthday Holiday

## From the Principal *Tena koutou katoa*

Thanks to all those parents who turned up for this week's Student Achievement Meetings (SAMs). We hope you found them useful. Our teachers really appreciate the chance to have a sustained conversation with you and your students. Please do fill in the SAMs survey, the link for which will be emailed to you.

The Senior Photography Exhibition this week showcased the excellent work of our senior photography students. The technical and composition skills are a credit to them and their teachers.

Our Academic Student Leaders addressed Principal's assemblies this week about the upcoming senior exam week and the need to treat all assessments, both practice as well as those for credits, seriously. They also urged students to aim for 15+BEST ie at least 15 credits in each subject and aiming for Merit and Excellence grades. Our PB4L leaders spoke about the new rewards system, and the connection between a settled environment and a good learning environment was made.

Te Mauri Festival was hosted here last Friday evening. The festival involved kapa haka groups from Papakura High School, Manurewa High School and James Cook High School as well as our own. It was a great success with a warm and welcoming feeling among the students from all schools. Congratulations to all involved.

We have notified our community of a casual vacancy for an elected trustee on our Board of Trustees. If you are interested in finding out more about what is involved in being a school trustee, or wish to put yourself forward as a potential trustee, please contact me by email at [inquiries@rosehillcollege.school.nz](mailto:inquiries@rosehillcollege.school.nz)

*Sue Blakely, Principal*



## Te Roopu Awhina

**(the Rosehill College Maori parents and whanau support group) notice**

*"Ka moemoea ahau, ko ahau anake. Ka moemoea tatou, ka taea e tatou"*  
If I dream, it is me alone. If we dream, we can achieve.

Te Roopu Awhina would like to inform Maori parents and whanau of the following key activities for the College Term 2.

1. Te Roopu Awhina would like to invite Maori parents and whanau to an evening hui on Wed 13th May starting 6pm at Rosehill College Wharenui "Moemoea". The hui provides an opportunity to meet the Maori Staff of Rosehill College, and other Maori parents/ whanau keen to support the education of our Maori Students at Rosehill College.
2. Te Roopu Awhina will hold our AGM 2015 during our whanau hui on Wed 13th May.
3. Selection of a Te Roopu Awhina representative for the current Rosehill College Board of Trustees (BOT). Following the recent resignation of one of our two representatives on the BOT, Te Roopu Awhina is looking to select another representative. If you are interested and/ or would like to know more about the role please contact James Te Whare, who is our current Te Roopu Awhina representative on the BOT. (Contact email [james@otunnz.co.nz](mailto:james@otunnz.co.nz)) Or alternatively contact the Rosehill College Kaimanaaki, Whaea Pare Matthews, email [p.matthews@rosehillcollege.school.nz](mailto:p.matthews@rosehillcollege.school.nz), phone 2950661 ext: 866, phone/text 0220125227.

Ka mau te wehi!

## Caps and Bucket Hats

Plain navy blue official school caps and bucket hats are now available from the Resource Room.

**Caps:** \$6.00  
**Bucket hats:** \$8.00



## Polar Fleece

A reminder that this year we introduced a polar fleece to our school uniform. This is available from the School Uniform Centre shop at the College for \$42.00.



## Advice for parents of Year 11 to 13 students

Have you recently accessed the parent portal: <http://portal.rosehill-college.co.nz/>? Did you read the Student Achievement comments by Subject teachers? Have you seen the profile section with your child? The student will need to logon and show what they have answered to a number of questions about their learning and future pathways. Also have you seen the NZQA entries for the student by logging on to the NZQA site <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/login/>? Select the students and learners logon, students will need their NSN number (on the Student ID card) and their password, or they might need to register if this is their first time.

A number of assessments for subjects have been completed and the results relating to NCEA have been uploaded. You will be receiving a NZQA fee statement in week 4 or 5, which will include the entries and results your child has to date. In tutor class time, teachers will have a list containing information about the credits achieved by students to date and what their pass rate is like (percentage of credits achieved out of credits attempted). Check with your child whether they have a pass rate above 80%. Also check what their Merit/Excellence rate is like (percentage of credits at Merit/Excellence out of credits attempted). If they have a rate higher than 65% they may be on track for a Merit/Excellence Certificate Endorsement.

It is worthwhile using the resources available online as well as talking to your child to ensure they achieve the Level 1, 2 or 3 NCEA qualifications.

### Year 13 Geography trip to Muriwai

The Year 13 students spent a sunny day at Muriwai beach in week 1 this term. They were there to carry out their research and find out first hand about the processes that form the beach and dunes there. They spent the day measuring things like the gradient of the beach, height of the dunes and the wave counts. They also got to experience their case study first hand for an external exam at the end of the year. Everyone had a good time and it was definitely not a bad way to spend a Friday!!



### Junior Workday Friday 29th May

Students should return their permission forms to their Tutor Group teachers or they can be emailed to [p.kaiser@rosehillcollege.school.nz](mailto:p.kaiser@rosehillcollege.school.nz). If the school has not received a permission form students will be required to attend school on the Friday 29th May. Students are to bring their Work Day money (\$25-30) to school by Tuesday June 2nd and give it to their tutor group teacher. See the attachment in this newsletter for the permission form.



Any student who has not been given permission and is absent without an absence note will be marked as truant and receive after school detentions.

## Maths for Success

This is a reminder that the Maths Department runs tutorials on Tuesdays. Tuesday Period 1 we have year 13 students helping out. After school we have teachers available. In the upcoming exams many students will be doing an internal assessment. If they are struggling in any way with the topic they are doing they need to come and get help. Junior students are also welcome to come and get help with things in class they do not quite understand or homework they cannot do. Please encourage your son/daughter to attend these tutorials and hence achieve the best they can.



"Uh, yeah, Homework Help Line? I need to have you explain the Quadratic Equation in roughly the amount of time it takes to get a cup of coffee."

## Fantastic trip to France now open to Rosehill senior students!



See Paris the world's most beautiful and visited city!

One more place is now available on the Rosehill College French exchange trip to Paris and Bourges in September. Students will enjoy tourist activities in Paris, including Eurodisney and will be hosted in families in the pretty town of Bourges. A rare and priceless opportunity for a young person!

Any Year 11-13 student may apply. They do not need to be taking French. Please see Mrs Johnson in S7 or Miss Lassaube in S9.

#### Itinerary:

#### 24 Sept – Depart Auckland

#### 25 Sept -3 Oct BOURGES – hosted in a French family. Highlights:

- Petit Train tour of the town
- St Etienne Cathedral + Palais Jacques Coeur
- Bourges market Day + group restaurant lunch
- exploration of the medieval old city centre/shopping
- 2 school days at the Lycée Ste Marie. Wow is school different in France!
- the Marais (canal system) + visit to Sancerre wine cellars
- coach trip to the Loire Valley to visit the castles of Chambord and Cheverny

#### 4-8 Oct PARIS -MIJE Youth Hostel in the Marais. Highlights:

- Eiffel Tower – viewing Paris from the top!
- Eurodisney!
- cruise on the Seine River
- Montmartre: Sacré Coeur, Place du Tertre, Moulin Rouge.
- Arc de Triomphe + Champs Élysées.
- Opéra Garnier/Ladurée macaroon salon/Fauchon food hall
- Notre Dame Cathedral/Ile-de-la-Cité/St Michel area
- Le Forum shopping mall

10 Oct – return Auckland



## ICAS Junior English Exam

The Junior ICAS English Exam will be held on 28 July 2015. All students must be registered before Tuesday 30th June 2015. This is a highly valued Australian institution. Registration fees are \$7.50 per student. Please see Mrs Harris for details.



## A plea from the Learner Support Department

Rosehill College needs volunteers to assist senior students during the exams. We desperately need volunteers to act in the role of reader and/or writer for students with Dyslexia or other learning disabilities that affect reading and writing ability. If you;

- have a good level of reading and writing
- are able to give some time during school hours between Tuesday 26 May and Friday 29 May
- are willing to be police checked

please contact Rob McHardy, Head of Learner Support (09) 295 0661 ext 859 for more details.

## TE MAURI FESTIVAL

Held in the Rosehill College Hall on Friday 1 May

Tihei Mauriora!

Manaakitanga was certainly in the whare all day and all night. From the time the students from James Cook, Manurewa High and Papakura High arrived it was all on. The discipline of our roopu during the whole powhiri was very noticeable. They were there for the kaupapa and I must say Whaea Sue must have been very proud of the Kapa Haka roopu and all the Te Reo Students from the Maori Unit. They were a force and all held their heads up high, it was you could say very spine tingling.....the wairua, the aroha all in one.

The behaviour of all students tangata whenua me nga manuhiri exemplary, everything went to plan. Thanks to our kaikorero was led by Ted Ngataki nga mihi matua. Our Kaikaranga, ataahua a Whaea Nicolai me Koka Lia. Our rangatahi did as they were taught nga mihinui ki nga rangatahi O Pukeroihi. Ariana and Jordarn (tutors) you did an excellent job with the rangatahi, they all did their part and it all fell into place, nga mihi kia korua mo to awhi me to aroha ki te kaupapa o te ra.

The Haakari followed the powhiri it was down to the Gym and when I say Haakari I MEAN... Haakari, pork, chicken, ham, salads, stuffing, drinks and even pudding. All my thanks must go to the whanau of Kapaz and the Reo classes who donated towards the menu. To the whanau who awhi with cooking aroha to you all, everything was beautiful. The hall looked amazing, many compliments from the manuhiri, it all looked wonderful.

Thank you very much to Mr Rennell who shifted classes to enable us to set up the gym in Periods 4 & 5 much appreciated. Clean up was done by all and then it was up to the hall for the night's entertainment.

Senior Management were there and what a night it was. Our MC was Mr Jason Mareroa an ex student of Rosehill (well acquainted with senior management) he was just what we needed, a bit of humor, lots of katakata and te reo, te reo, te reo loved it. He was a hit with the rangatahi and all the whanau who attended, all our aroha to you Jay.

Papakura, Manurewa, James Cook and then Pukeroihi. All the groups were awesome the sweet singing of nga wahine to the ferociousness of the haka. James Cook tama surely shook that stage with their haka and set the pace for Maui Potiki from Rosehill. Our boys did us proud it was mean tauke, nga rangatahi O Pukeroihi kia ora. I would like to thank all our rangatahi for their input into this Event it would not have been a success without you all nga mihinui kia koutou katoa, much aroha. See page 5 for some awesome photos

To Whaea Sue thank you for allowing us to hold this event and having faith in me to run it. Nga Mihi.

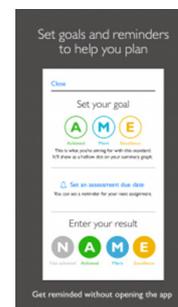
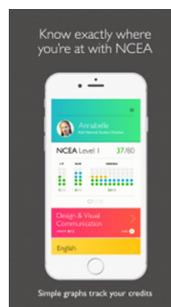
Whaea Freda

## Planning and tracking NCEA progress - NCEA Student App

The key purpose of the App?

NZQA has developed a mobile App called NCEA Student to help students plan their NCEA study programme, set goals and track their progress. The App complements the NCEA Guide App for parents and employers launched in 2014.

The App is available from the iTunes and Google Play stores.



What does the App do?

Students were involved in the design of the App from the beginning, and chose the functions that were of most value to them. Functionality provides students with the ability to:

- Select and set their NCEA credit goals and targets
- See how they are tracking towards NCEA Levels one, two and three, including Literacy, Numeracy and University Entrance (UE)
- Set reminders for each standard such as when assignments are due
- Capture results as they are achieved and cross check with the school or NZQA
- Personalise with information such as NSN number or details about a course or standard (such as the teacher's name or timetabled classroom)
- Customise with different colour coding options and the ability to add photos
- Use in English and Te Reo Māori.

Other features

- It is simple, clear, easy to use and responsive
- It provides a high level description of each standard
- It has its own database, which includes all standards and unit standards and which will be maintained and updated by NZQA periodically
- It has a powerful search engine that makes it easy for students to find subjects and standards by "name" or "number"
- It is an NZQA quality assured product
- It makes NCEA easier to understand.

Anything else you need to know?

Users are responsible for the security of their own data – NZQA recommends a PIN number on the phone as a minimum, and a password (a "settings" option) on the App. Responsibility for the accuracy of the information in the App rests with the App user and NZQA recommends backing up your device. It is your information and your data, entered by you.

Minimum specifications?

- iOS: 7.1 and later and Android: 4.0 and later.
- The App is optimised for use on iPhone 5 and greater, and Android 4.1 or greater.
- The App will run on tablets aswell.

The NCEA Guide App is free to download - get it now from:

iTunes Preview or Google play





### Equestrian Show Hunter

On Tuesday 5th of May the team made up of Emily Carter, Olivia Montgomery, Georgia Bakker and Lauren Kats (last minute swap due to a lame pony) competed at the Waiuku School Competition. They achieved some fantastic individual results with Georgia winning both her classes in Show Hunter! They achieved a fantastic fourth placing out of 13 teams overall. Once again a big thanks to the parents - picking up and transporting ponies and allowing the girls to compete.



### Water Polo

On Sunday 3 May Rosehill's Water Polo team competed in their first round of a local social league. The feedback from the team was that they had a fantastic time and are looking forward to this week's game despite their loss to Strathallan.

### Netball

Netball begins on the 13th May for all girls. Please remember that the teams will be transported down to Bruce Pullman so they will need to leave period 5 at 3pm. All yr 9 and 10 girls will play at 4.10pm each week followed by 2 rounds for seniors at 5pm and 5.50pm.

### Badminton

This week D Grade had a good win over Strathallan 6-0. Pat Patthamang played a great singles game to start the team's success. From now they will play in the top D Grade section!

B Grade 1 drew with Strathallan 3-3. Nigel Devanesan and Taylor Nowell lost a close doubles game but showed signs of improving their combination.

B Grade 2:- After losing last week, Ben Sweney fired the team up and they came out determined and won 4-2 against James Cook.

### Turbo Touch

The Core Class competition for turbo touch has been postponed until week 5 due to SAMs meetings. Sign ups for Years 9s will take place in week 4.

### Permission Slips

The Rosehill Sports Office is still waiting to receive a number of permission slips from students across all sports codes. Please return these as soon as possible and if you have misplaced a copy see us in the sports office. Students will not be able to collect sports uniforms or play in the fast approaching competitions without a signed permission slip.

### Sponsorship/Donations

All of our top teams get given a training shirt each year to warm up in and wear. These are perfect for companies to display their logo on. If you are interested in contributing to a Premier team at Rosehill please contact Mrs Furniss in the Sports Office 295-0661 ext 844.

### Results: Week 3

SPORT TEAM	VERSUS	RESULTS
Rugby 1st XV Boys	Waiuku (friendly)	Win 51-0
Rugby 2nd XV Boys	James Cook (friendly)	Loss 7-22
Rugby U14	Manurewa (friendly)	Loss 10-50
Rugby U60kg	Pukekohe (friendly)	Win 22-17
Rugby U69kg Red	Sacred heart (friendly)	Win 34-28
Rugby U69kg Blue	Macleans (friendly)	Loss 5-40
Water Polo	Strathallan	Loss 4-11
Rugby Girls	Cancelled	
Badminton B-1	Strathallan	Draw 3-3
Badminton B-2	James Cook	Win 4-2
Badminton D	Strathallan	Win 6-0
Football 1st XI Boys	De La Salle	Win 5-0
Football 1st XI Girls	Howick	Loss 1-3
Football 2nd XI Girls	Macleans	Draw 0-0
Hockey 1st XI Boys	Pukekohe 1	Loss 1-6
Hockey 1st XI Girls	Waiuku 1	Win 2-0
Hockey 2nd XI Boys	Alfriston 1	Loss 0-9
Basketball Open Boys	De La Sale	Win 31-21
Basketball Open Girls	James Cook	Win 38-27

# Ordering Your Photos OnLine

This year Rosehill College photographs will be available for you to view and order OnLine with PhotoLife Studios, for students who had their photo taken at the start of the year by PhotoLife.

Next week we will hand out individual OnLine slips to each student with their unique Shoot Key detailed on it. This Shoot Key will automatically display all the photographs of your child **Individually** and in his/her **Tutor Group**. It is then an easy process for you to shop on-line and purchase the photographs you want.

**Rosehill College**

Dylan Holmes APT

How to VIEW and PURCHASE your photographs:

1. Go to [www.photolife.co.nz](http://www.photolife.co.nz)
2. Click on "Order Online"
3. Enter your secure Shoot Key Code: XXXXXXXX (make sure "pop-ups" allowed)
4. Click on "Order Products" to see ALL your child's photos

Place your order within 3 weeks to receive FREE DELIVERY via the School!

If you do not have Internet access or prefer not to use the Online Ordering system, please contact the School office for an Order Envelope

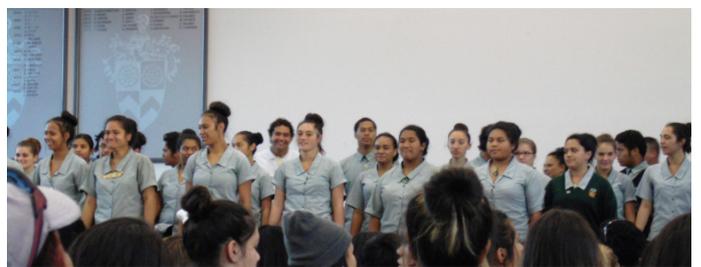
All orders placed **BY 1st JUNE 2015** will be despatched back to the school (**free delivery**) and your child will bring the photographs home. Any orders placed after that date will be sent directly to your specified delivery address and will incur a \$6.00 postage and packing charge.

*There will be a small supply of Order Envelopes at the Student Office to give to any students whose families do not have access to the Internet or do not wish to use this system.*

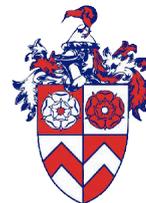
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# TE MAURI FESTIVAL PHOTOS



# ROSEHILL COLLEGE



## Junior Work Day

- When:** Friday 29 May 2015
- Who:** Year 9 and 10 Students
- Why:** To raise funds for upgrading the school environment. The projects are decided in consultation with the Student Council. Recent projects have been the digital noticeboard and increased seating for students around the grounds.
- How:**
- Year 9 and 10 students do not have to come to school on Friday 29 May. This day is available for them to work for money, which is given to the school. Students may do this work at other times i.e. at weekends and have Friday off school as compensation.
  - Students are required to find their own jobs.
  - If students are unable to find a job they will be expected to attend school where they will attend classes.

**How much money:** \$25 to \$30 for the day for Year 9 and 10 students.

Parents/caregivers, please sign the form below and have your child return it to their Tutor Teacher or reply by email by Wednesday 20 May.

We will provide a pizza lunch for the Tutor group that brings in the most money and for the Tutor group that has the first complete return of money.

If you are able to provide work for students other than your own son/daughter, please contact the College.

Yours sincerely

Sue Blakely  
Principal

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### Rosehill College Junior Work Day Friday 29 May 2015

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Tutor Group \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_  
(Student's full name)

**does / does not** have permission to participate in the Work Day on Friday 29 May 2015.  
(**please delete one**) If the student is not participating in workday he/she will be expected at school on that day.

Parent/caregiver \_\_\_\_\_ (Name) \_\_\_\_\_ (signature)

