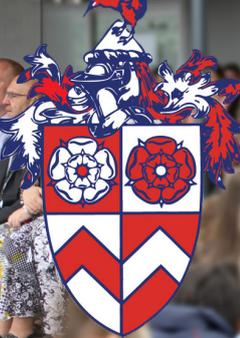


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Important Key Skills:

1. **Character - honesty, hard work, perseverance.**
2. **Citizenship - knowledge of and respect for other issues and cultures.**
3. **Communication - effective reading, speaking, writing, listening, use of digital tools.**
4. **Critical Thinking & Problem-Solving - design, manage, solve problems, make decisions.**
5. **Collaboration - work in teams.**
6. **Creativity - pursue novel ideas and lead actions.**

Junior Fun Day

Junior Fun Day will take place on Tuesday the 13th of December. Students may wear mufti on this day but support your house by wearing your house colours.

The times for the day will be as for a normal Tuesday, with buses running at the normal Tuesday times. Students will participate for the Junior House Trophy in House teams over a variety of activities. A lot of work has gone into planning this day. It is an important school activity that is aimed at team building, skills development and confidence. Sun block, sun hat and water bottles are essential. The canteen will be open.

If it is raining, classes for Day 6 will go ahead as normal so students should bring appropriate gear for those classes as well as what they need for Fun Day.



From the Principal *Tena koutou katoa*

Our graduating students from Year 13 were farewelled on Monday evening in a ceremony that was attended by families and whanau. Thank you to Ben Sweny, Mrs Sharma and the Events Committee for their organisation of this final event of their schooling. Skye Fox sang and Rebekah Te Rito spoke on behalf of the leavers. We wish all our leavers well in their futures.



It has been a pleasure this week to welcome students who will be in Year 9 in 2017 to their orientation morning at the College. The move from Year 8 can be a daunting one, and a little familiarity with the environment can be helpful.

Congratulations to Neihana Lowe and Callum Robinson who submitted a short film, **Warning**, on sustainability in The Outlook for Someday Challenge. Their film won the Storytelling Category at the awards evening last night. The film can be viewed at <http://www.theoutlookforsomeday.net/films/2016/097/>

Junior House Day takes place on Tuesday. Students must bring a hat and sunblock to use throughout the day, even if it is cloudy.

Sue Blakely, Principal



A scene from 'Warning'

Junior Prizegivings and end of year arrangements Thursday 15 December

Parents and whanau are warmly invited to attend these prizegivings. On Thursday, students will be given their end of year reports to take home.

Year 10 students will not have timetabled lessons. The Year 10 prizegiving will be at 9.15am and Year 10 students are dismissed at the conclusion of this at approximately 10.15am.

Year 9 students will attend their normal class for Day 6 period 1 & 2 and then the Year 9 prizegiving will be at 10.45am. Students will be dismissed at the conclusion at approximately 11.45am.

All buses will collect students from school at the conclusion of the Year 9 prizegiving.

Applications for reconsiderations and reviews for NCEA and Scholarship external examinations

From their Learner login, students can access the forms for reconsiderations and reviews after the return of examination booklets.

Changes of address and return of examination booklets

Students who have a permanent change of address over the holiday break will need to contact NZQA on 0800 697 296 in order to update their details to ensure their booklets get sent to the correct address.

Dates to Remember

Tuesday 13 December
Junior Fun Day

Thursday 15 December
Year 10 Prizegiving - 9.15am
Year 9 Prizegiving - 10.45am
End of Term 4



Homestays Wanted

We seek homestays in the Rosehill College school zone with sound English language skills to host International students in 2017.

If you can offer a student a comfortable and caring home you will be rewarded both culturally and financially.

Application forms can be found on our [website](#).

For all enquires contact Delwyn Blackburn 2950661 on ext 884 or email d.blackbourn@rosehillcollege.school.nz

READING

HOW ARE THEIR READING SKILLS?

We expect Year 9 students to achieve at N.Z. Curriculum Level 4. Divided into sub-divisions of 4D=Developing, 4B=Basic, 4P=Proficient, 4A=Advanced.

We expect Year 10 students to achieve at N.Z. Curriculum Level 5. Divided into sub-divisions of 5D=Developing, 5B=Basic, 5P=Proficient. 5A=Advanced.

GOOD NEWS

Year 9 students in Reading have made a 30 point increase within Curriculum Level 4A this year. This point increase is beyond expectation and Rosehill Yr 9 students read at the level expected nationally.

Year 10 students in Reading started the year at 5B and made a 24 point increase to reach 5P at the end of this year. Their point increase has been beyond expectation and Rosehill Yr 10 students read at the level expected nationally as well.

THE CHALLENGE

Promotion of and motivation to read at school and at home is still a fundamental foundation skill for understanding, achievement and success.

There is a well-known recorded 'drop off' in skills over holiday breaks; **regular reading is the activity that means students return to school better able to cope from the start.**

It's all Happening in Papakura for Christmas

Carols in the Park at Central Park in Papakura

Friday 9th of December from 6 pm

Papakura Christmas Market in Broadway Papakura

Saturday 10th of December from 9 am to 3 pm

Come and visit Santa in his Grotto from Friday the 16th of December to Friday 23rd of December from 11 am to 3 pm in the Selwyn Centre in Papakura



Come and say hi to Santa, get a free Santa photo, gift wrapping available while you wait for a gold coin donation to the Papakura Fire Brigade and go to www.papakura.co.nz for a Scavenger Hunt which could win you one of three prizes of \$100 of Papakura vouchers to be spent in town.

See www.papakura.co.nz for all the details.

2017 PAPAURA CLEANUP AND DRIVER'S LICENCE PROGRAMME

Next year, Rosehill College will be running the Driver's Licence Programme. This is a programme that helps students to gain their Learner Driver Licence at a reduced cost. We work in partnership with the Manukau Beautification Charitable Trust and Auckland Council. If you are interested, please keep a close eye out in both the newsletter and student notices early next year for further information. We would like to participate in the Papakura Cleanup which will be run by the Manukau Beautification Charitable Trust, set for 25 February 2017. Students who are interested DO NOT have to be 16 at the time of the cleanup, as we will schedule the testing for later in the year. For further queries, please contact Jessie Peneamena (j.peneamena@rosehillcollege.school.nz)

Maths & Reading Tutor Wanted

A Tutor is wanted to help out over the school holidays in tutoring two young Opaheke Students. You will need to be able to be reliable, friendly and be able to get to the family address in Papakura.

If you are interested please contact Kristina on 021 143 2287.

Rosehill College Gateway Programme Applications for 2017

Applications are now open for our 2017 Gateway Programme. The programme at Rosehill College applies to senior students returning in 2017 as a Year 12 or 13 student.

A number of students have put their names down for consideration and applications are currently open until school returns in Term 1, 2017.



Gateway is a Tertiary Education Commission (TEC) funded programme designed to strengthen the pathways for senior students (Y12/13) with the transition from school into the workplace. The Programme Coordinator invites students to apply, then interviews each student to ascertain career options for each individual. If accepted for Gateway, the Coordinator finds students work experience in a variety of careers in the community. There is a focus on students looking at transitioning into either a trade or directly into employment after leaving school. The programme delivers Gateway students additional work related courses and training with NCEA credits to help them toward their chosen goals. Gateway assists in making good work connections for students and in some situations, work placements may lead on to either employment or apprenticeship opportunities. Gateway has limited places so if you would like to be considered, pick up an application from Mrs Dyer in the Gateway Office at the back of the School Library or click this shortcut to be taken to the form.

If any parents or families of Rosehill College have a business that would be a suitable workplace learning experience for a Rosehill student please contact the Gateway Coordinator Mrs Nicki Dyer on 295 0661 ext 847 or via [email](#).



Rosehill Basketball Holiday Programme

The Rosehill Raptors Basketball is coming to school holidays for free!

If any boys or girls are interested in attending a Basketball based holiday programme that will teach new skills and drills from quality coaches and be an all-round good time, then check out the details below and just come along and register on the day. It is all free with food and drink included.

Dates: 16th-20th Jan
23rd-27th Jan
Times: 10am-2pm
Ages: 11-17 years old only
Where: Rosehill College- Jerkovich Gym
Cost: Free!



Athletics Stars

Last week there were 3 athletes who represented Rosehill over the weekend at the NZSS track and field championships at Trusts Stadium, Waitakere.

Paige Bell and Liam Haddock had excellent results, progressing through their heats and semi finals to make the top 8 in their events. Both heats and semi's were cut throat with only the top 2 progressing to the next stage. Paige finished 8th and Liam finished 6th in their respective finals, with each of them also achieving PBs over the weekend. Paige took 4.5 seconds off hers.

Liam Mullen also competed in four events over the weekend but didn't progress into finals due to the intense competition in these categories. Congratulations to each of the athletes for their hard work, great results and positive sportsmanship.

Rowing Season

COUNTIES MANUKAU ROWING CLUB

This year there are a number of students rowing for Counties Manukau from Rosehill College. The first 2 regattas were cancelled but finally they were able to stretch their abilities at Karapiro on 3rd & 4th Dec. Well done to Kenna Richmond and Summer Henry for obtaining a place in the A Final for U16 Double Sculls and Joel Mansell and Matthew Wessels for securing a slot in the A Final with their U18 coxed quad sculls. Madison Murray and Summer Henry went on to place 3rd in their B Final U18 double sculls, Kenna placed 6th in her U16 single sculls B Final and Bianca Parsons, Summer Henry, Kenna Richmond and Rebecca Powley place 6th in their B Final U16 coxed quad sculls with Matthew as coxswain. We were very impressed with our Novice girls, placing well in their first 2km race. Well done Ashleigh Riddle, Rebecca Powley, Brooke Andrews & Charlie Molloy. We look forward to an exciting rowing season.

