CONGRATULATIONS KIARRA TILDEN

Over the past few years the Hunter RSL has been organising a 2015 ANZAC Centenary Student tour to Gallipoli that will include one student from each of the 20 high schools in the Hunter Region. This is a 10 day tour that includes a flight from Sydney to Florence, then travel by cruise ship to Gallipoli in time for the 2015 ANZAC Day Centenary Service.

At RTHS, 18 Expressions of Interest were received from students. Each student was required to give a 2 minute presentation on why they would like to go on this tour.

10 students were selected to present to the individual school selection committee comprising the Principal, HT HSIE, P&C delegate, local RSL member and a student leader representative. Students were required to give a 15 minute presentation.

Jack Williams in Year 9 and Kiarra Tilden in Year 8 then progressed to present to the final selection interview committee comprising 2 local RSL Hunter Valley District Council members, local mayor, a representative from a Community Service Organisation, representatives from media organisations as well as the chaperones for the trip.

After the prolonged selection process, Kiarra Tilden of Year 8 was chosen to represent RTHS on the 2015 ANZAC Centenary Gallipoli Tour.

Congratulations to Kiarra and Jack for being excellent representatives of the school.

RTHS P&C have partially sponsored Kiarra for this student tour and we thank them for their contributions.
EXECUTIVE REPORT

Subject Selections for Years 8 to 9 and 10 to 11 in 2014
The vast majority of Year 10 have finalised their selections for next year. There are some exceptions due to TAFE enrolments and the Fast-track class. All other years have also been finalised. Students requiring further information or needing assistance are directed to see either Mr Butler or Mr Edwards.

Impressions 10
Impressions 10 is an authentic assessment program where year 10 students demonstrate their learning at interview in a wide range of areas to a panel consisting of members from the local community and business community, staff and a year 9 student. Its primary focus is to support students in the job application/interview process. At the conclusion of the interview process, students receive a written report assessing their performance. The interviews are held across three days, beginning Wednesday 27th November

Greg Archbold
Deputy Principal

ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Administration Reminder About Early Leavers
Unscheduled collection of students can be very disruptive to classes. If you know that your child is required to leave early please send them with a note in the morning so that an early leavers pass can be issued.

We do realise that situations arise during the day and you may have to collect your child unexpectedly. However, to save on disruptions, we can only get your child during the first 5 minutes of class or the last 5 minutes of class. Outside of these times we will ask you to wait.

Student Medical Forms
During Term 4 we will be updating our medical records systems to ensure we have the most up-to-date information on your child’s health. In Term 3 medical updates were sent out. Can you please complete the form and return it immediately to the school office.

The good news is we have already started collecting some of this information The new forms will help us collect your child's important medical information and the introduction of new systems will mean we'll be able to better manage the daily and emergency health needs of your child.

We appreciate your support as we start collecting the information, and if you have any questions please call.

School Fees
Year 11 and Year 12 school fees for 2014 have now been charged. Early payment of these fees will be greatly appreciated. Payment plans can also be arranged. For any queries please call 49325 999.
Many students have now completed at least one HSC assessment task and the vast majority of students have further tasks to complete over the coming weeks. The end of the term can be a busy time for our HSC students and it is important that students plan and manage their time effectively.

Time management is especially important throughout Year 12 as it means students are less likely to fall behind. Incomplete class work and failure to hand in assessment tasks by the due date can both result in N Award Warnings. Unresolved N Award Warnings can put a student’s HSC at risk.

Marks for school based assessment tasks contribute directly to final HSC marks so it is essential that students put in their best effort for each and every task.

### Year 12 Assessment Tasks

The table below outlines the assessment tasks due for Term 4 2013:

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Kris Turner  
Senior Study Coordinator

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**ASPIRATIONS 2013**

Aspirations is a three session mentoring program offered and fully funded by The Australian Business and Community Network (ABCN) in conjunction with large companies such as Microsoft, Optus, Qantas, King & Wood Mallesons and the Commonwealth Bank.

This term senior students were mentored by members from King & Wood Mallesons, an international corporate law firm in Sydney. The hands-on activity of constructing a communication bridge made of drinking straws, along with critical thinking skills, were just some of the areas in which students expanded on during their sessions.

A postcard worthy backdrop was provided on the 61st floor of Sydney's Governor Phillip building. With senior students entering the working world, mentors provided crucial information regarding job applications, interviews, future career options and pathways. Rutherford Technology High School was the first regional school to participate in the program.
Three students from Year 11 recently attended the Hunter Region High Achievers camp at Toukley. Melissa Morey, Lane Murphy and Elisabeth Arnold had the opportunity to work with other students from all over the Hunter area.

Study Skills and HSC preparations were explained by experts in a variety of key learning areas. Students also faced physical challenges to encourage them to set and achieve personal goals.

ADVANCED ENGLISH STUDY DAY

Advanced English students from Kurri Kurri HS, Maitland HS and Rutherford Technology HS recently attended a study day at RTHS.

Mr Stewart McGowan (a literacy consultant) explained the requirements of the HSC English papers to the students. He encouraged them to work hard throughout the year in order for them to achieve their best possible result in the HSC in 2014.

Students gained excellent knowledge from Mr McGowan as well as enjoying meeting fellow students from nearby high schools.

DER LAPTOP INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS IN YEAR 10

The warranty on your DER laptop will expire in February 2014. If you have an issue with your laptop please see Helmut Wirth, Technology Support Officer, ASAP. A reminder to parents about obligation to DER laptop non-warranty repairs which were stated in the charter you and your child both signed. I draw your attention to the DER – NSW Laptop User Charter that you signed prior to your student receiving his/her Laptop Computer. Paragraph 2.2 of this charter refers to damage or loss of equipment and Paragraph 2.2.5 states; “If a laptop is damaged or lost by neglect, abuse or malicious act, will require reimbursement. The principal will determine whether replacement is appropriate and/or whether or not the student retains access to a laptop for home use.”

Paragraph 2.2.1 states “All laptops and batteries are covered by a manufacturer’s warranty. The warranty covers manufacturer’s defects and normal use of the laptop. It does not cover negligence, abuse or malicious damage.”

All laptop non-warranty repairs are quoted at $249 and will cover up to 3 items that are deemed as not covered by warranty as stated above from the charter.

A reminder for parents of Year 10 students: if your child is leaving school to go to full time employment or TAFE, they are required to return the DER laptop to the school along with the case and charger.

As stated in the laptop charter section 2.1.5: “If the student leaves school prior to completing Year 12 or moves to a non-government school, interstate or overseas, the laptop must be returned to the school”.

If your child intends to look for work during a school holiday it is preferred that the device be returned prior to finishing school for the year. If your child does not re-enroll for Year 11 and does not return the device, a request for reimbursement will apply and the device will be considered stolen and shut down.

SIMONE HUGHES
Deputy Principal
On Tuesday, 12 November, all Year 9 students participated in this exciting workshop based experience where 16 Industry and Business based presenters exposed students to hands-on maths problems.

Each session reinforced the concept that Maths is highly relevant in the workplace from mining, mechanical, hairdressing, animal care, surveying, engineering, commerce, electrical, pneumatics, hydraulics, hospitality, steelmaking and all the trades.

Hunter Valley Youth Express piloted this program and it has proved an outstanding success with the feedback from students.
MOVEMBER MOVEMENT AGAIN

Once again, this year, the proud men of Rutherford Technology High School are forgoing their shaving rituals in order to help spread awareness of men’s health issues while also raising money for programs to support men’s health. This will be the eighth consecutive year that the program has been supported by staff at Rutherford, who are this year joined by a group of students who are keen to get involved and attempt to make a difference.

The Movember movement challenged men to grow a moustache for the 30 days of November, changing the face of their face and the face of men’s health. The very act of sporting an unexpected yet magnificent ‘mo’ invites conversation about men’s health issues which might not take place otherwise, raising awareness for issues such as prostate cancer, testicular cancer and mental health.

Of course, the side effect is a magnificent face for 30 days, after which most men inexplicably remove their masterfully crafted facial hair.

The fine, moustachioed men of the staff who are taking part in this year’s Movember are: Mr Bower, Mr Brannan, Mr Buckie, Mr Carratt, Mr Douglas, Mr McSpadden, Mr Newham, Mr Trotter and Mr O’Callaghan.

The brave warriors of facial hair are joined this year by Nicholas Bakhuis, Mason Brett, Addison Hinds and Ryan Jackson of Year 12 who bravely donated their upper lips to the cause.

To support Team Ruddo in their fundraising goals or just to leave a short message, you can visit their team page at http://moteam.co/team-ruddo and for more information about Movember visit the official webpage at http://au.movember.com/mospace/

IMPRESSIONS 10 MOCK INTERVIEWS FOR YEAR 10 STUDENTS

Just a further reminder to parents/caregivers of Year 10 students that the ‘Impressions 10 - Mock Interviews are coming up on Wed—Fri, 27—29 November 2013.

This is a compulsory activity and is very important as part of the student’s transition from school to work program. If students are unable to attend their scheduled interview time, then arrangements should be made with Mrs Porter for an alternative time. The latest roster of interview times is taped on the Science staffroom window.

Students are also required to bring with them to the interview their resume, cover letter, school report and two pieces of work they have completed throughout year 10.

If further information is required please contact Mrs Porter on 49325 999.
UTS EXCURSION YR 9 AND YR 10 SCIENCE

Brooke and Grace “The trip to UTS was a great experience. It gave a good insight into Science at University. I found the forensic activities lots of fun and very interesting.”

Kate “Great to find out what there is out there for us to do, and it was awesome.”

Matt “I enjoyed the forensics workshop, it was very interesting and I would love to have a career out of it. It was very well organised and a great day. The UTS crew did a magnificent job. It was an excursion to remember.”

Eula “The excursion was absolutely awesome!”

Tom “The excursion to UTS was great. We learned a lot about the Science facilities and what the University has to offer.”

Damon “I thought the excursion was very good. It was great looking around the Uni and getting a taste of it.”

Jake “On the trip to UTS, the undergraduates were very prepared and organised.”

Lara “A very educational excursion, showed me how interesting Science in University can be.”

Eliza and Liz “It was interesting learning about autopsies and also to see the microorganisms under the microscope.”

Nick “It was a very prepared and organised learning experience. I believe that a younger student would have benefited greater as they still have time to decide on pursuing a scientific career.”
Carve it up Skate and scooter competition is on again.

SUNDAY 17TH November, 2013
10 am – 3 pm

Registration is from 9.30 am.

See posters around the school for details.

Genesis fitness club is our community partner. Make the most of this generous offer and call now!
Rutherford Technology High School has launched its 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

Stop Press!

We now have a Facebook page!

Skateboards & Scooters are NOT to be brought to school, except on Thursdays if doing scootering.

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Rutherford Technology High School NEWSLETTER - EMAIL DETAILS

The Rutherford Technology High School newsletter is issued fortnightly via email. The newsletter contains important information for parents/families. To ensure that you receive your copy please advise your email address on the form below. If you prefer to have the newsletter mailed home to you, please let us know.

The newsletter is also sent out to all student email accounts and is available via the school website at www.rutherford-h.schools.nsw.edu.au.

I would like to receive my copy of the school newsletter by:  
- Email
- Normal Mail

Student Name/s: ____________________________________________________________

Parents/Carers Names: ________________________________________________________

Please send my email copy of the school newsletter to the following email address:
__________________________________________________________________________

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**MASTERCARD, VISA & EFTPOS ACCEPTED**

Uniform Shop: Contact Aleisha 0429 593 397 during business hours
Students are asked to have mobile phones switched OFF during class time, and out of sight. Students phones will be confiscated by the teacher if found out during class time.

Parents are asked NOT to contact students on their mobile phone during school hours. In case of emergency, please contact the school directly on 4932 5999.

Students are asked to follow correct procedures if sick or needing to go home. They must notify class teacher / obtain note/ report to sick bay.
The front office staff will phone caregiver.

**STUDENTS ARE NOT TO CONTACT THEIR PARENTS USING MOBILE PHONES**

If a student needs to leave school early, we ask that a note from parent / caregiver be taken to the Admin Office to collect an Early Leavers Card. Unscheduled collection of students can be disruptive to classes. Parents will be asked to wait until the end of a lesson for a student to be called to the Front Office.

The school does not accept nor take responsibility for the loss, damage or theft of any device at school or school associated event.

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**CANTEEN ROSTER—Term 4**
18 November to 29 November 2013

- 18 November — K Cresswell
- 19 November — Volunteer Required
- 20 November — K Hobbs
- 21 November — Volunteer Required
- 22 November — Volunteer Required
- 25 November — K Cresswell
- 26 November — Volunteer Required
- 27 November — A Hudson
- 28 November — Volunteer Required
- 29 November — Volunteer Required

If you have a few hours a week free and would like to volunteer for the canteen, please contact Jenny on 49325 999
Surf Safe
Tips to stay safe on the Web

Stay ANONYMOUS!
- Use another name or a nickname
- Keep your address a secret
- Don't say where you go to school
- Only give your phone numbers to people you know
- Don't tell ANYONE anything you don't want the world to know!

Be Private!
- Keep your login details secret
- Always use the privacy settings when creating a profile on networking sites like MySpace, Bebo, or Facebook
- Get an adult to help you with your privacy settings

Want to post a photo?
- If you want to post a photo, YOU choose it
- Make sure the pic doesn't show any background detail
- It's hard, we know, but that's before you answer personal questions
- If anyone asks you to pose say NO!

Want lots of friends?
- Of course you do, but...
- Not everyone is who they say
- Don't tell anyone you've just met on the Web that you're a “buddy”
- Real friends are those who've shown they care about you

So you want to meet?
- It's good to be with mates but...
- Meeting strangers is ALWAYS very dangerous
- Some Web-users have very bad intentions and will use any trick to get you to meet them

be happy!
- If, when chatting, you feel uneasy or even threatened, sign off
- Tell your mum, dad, or teacher about any worrying experiences, not your friends
- Block anyone who gives you bad vibes

Talk to someone!
- There are people who care about you - family, friends, and teachers
- If you need to discuss a problem, talk to one of them, not someone you've just met online
- Remember - it could be dangerous to do so

Believe.................NOT!
- Don't fall for it - things aren't always what they seem
- Everyone exaggerates - you probably do it as well
- Some people might tell lies just to get to you
- A few are dangerous

Be Safe! Be Sure! Be Savvy!
"The best school magazine ever" - Mr Whiting
"Inspirational" - Ms Marshall
"A great momento to remember your time at school" - Ms Clarke
"Highly inappropriate" - Ms Hornery (*taken out of context)
"A tour de force of digital mastery" - Mr Fean
"OMG", "YOLO", "LOL", "Totally Rad", "Fully sic- bra" - students
"If you don’t read this magazine, you will be devo" - more random students
"One small step for man, one giant leap for Rutherford High" - Neil Armstrong