From the Principal

**SRC Fundraising acknowledged by Westmead Children's Hospital**

In Term 1, Prefects and the SRC organised fundraising activities to support the Bandaged Bear program at Westmead Children’s Hospital. Recently, three prefects, Tilan Mahayagoda, Simon Zhang and Jayden Maloney represented Randwick Boys’ High School at the hospital to receive the hospital’s formal recognition certificate for their efforts. Accompanied by Ms Edwards and Ms Andrewartha, these three outstanding young men were given a tour of the hospital and met some of the “clown doctors”, who bring some joy to the lives of children in hospital.

There is something very uplifting about seeing young people helping one another and the decision of our Prefects and SRC to support the Bandaged Bear program is a very noble one. The generosity of the school led to a significant donation which will be used by the hospital to fund accommodation for parents staying overnight with children in hospital. Everyone can be proud of their contribution to this worthy cause.

**Food Technology Garden Plantings**

Food Technology teacher, Ms Leadbetter, is indefatigable in her search for funding grants to promote and build the Food Technology course in the school. Recently, she has sourced grants from Randwick City Council and the NSW Teachers’ Federation to purchase native food plants.

These plants have been planted in the kitchen garden area and already look great. As they grow and mature, they will provide not only a valuable teaching resource, but also a supply of natural “home grown” ingredients for Food Technology classes.

**Planning for the next three years (2015-2017)**

Schools operate on three year plans and our next three year planning phase has commenced. On Tuesday, teachers remained after school for an extended staff meeting that explored some of the items that will be considered in planning into the future, including the structure of the school and revisions to the current DEAR program. In weeks to come, teachers will be asked to contribute to discussions on technology, learning directions, curriculum resources and school priorities for the next three years.

Through the P&C, I will be seeking community input in relation to the same areas for the 2015-2017 School Plan. The plan is a “living” document and is reviewed throughout its three year cycle, as the school’s needs change and targets are met.

Achievements of the current plan have included: increases in NAPLAN growth among Year 9 students, improvement in HSC value adding to outstanding levels, standardisation of the school’s signage to give a consistent image, improvements to the amenity of the school, introduction of new syllabuses, construction of the Multimedia Centre and introduction of new courses.

W Duncombe
Principal
Coming events for Term 2

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Chess Report
Round 1 - 9th May
On Friday our Junior Team played Pagewood.

We won three of the four games.

Special mention must be made of Warren Song. He found his opponent most challenging. Eventually, Warren won. It was good to see a close contest. My thanks go to Ruben Samer, Veron Singh and Joe Francio who all contributed to our team's success.

Our Senior Team also had a win with three games out of four. My thanks go to Weidong Chen, Huy Thong Tran, Mitchell Shelton and Jonas Anggaputra for representing our school. Their opponents were JJ Cahill. There were a couple of tied games. Special mention must be made of the game played by Huy Thong Tran. The one game lasted one and a half hours. This was a triumph for both players, who were both able to maintain their concentration for such a long time.

Next week we play Kambala and Tempe.

Good luck.

Robert Anderson
Librarian

Food Technology Garden News
It has been a busy week for Mrs Leadbetter’s Year 10 Food Technology classes. They have been working extremely hard digging and preparing the ground for the introduction and revitalisation of the school Edible Garden. With the help of Mr Frougas a new metal fence will be installed in the next few weeks. The students have made Mrs Leadbetter very proud due to their enthusiasm and commitment to ensuring this project is a success.

We would also like to thank Helen Morrison Sustainability Project Officer and Randwick Council for their generous donations of water tank, pump, natives shrubs and trees. And thanks to the staff at Randwick Council Nurseries, in particular Natalie and Catherine for their help and advice.

J Leadbetter
Food Technology

Year 8 New Beginnings Mentoring Program with YWCA
On Thursday 1st May and Friday 2nd May, 17 Year 8 students took part in the New Beginnings Mentoring Program facilitated by the YWCA. This program is specifically targeting Year 8 students at schools around New South Wales to help develop their leadership skills and social awareness.

Over two days the students worked with volunteer mentors who helped them identify issues they felt were significant problems in our community, such as littering, public housing and racism in sport. The students put together presentations in small groups which they presented to Mr Bruce Notley-Smith, Member of Parliament for Coogee, on the Friday afternoon.

Mr Notley-Smith was very impressed with the maturity demonstrated by the students, and the thoroughly-researched presentations they had put together. He encouraged the students to persevere with their innovative ideas, and to remember that young adults have more power than they realise. Even at age 13 or 14, your voices can be heard and your opinions matter.

These two days gave me some of my proudest moments so far as Year Adviser for this cohort. Zac Ho, Zach Doherty, Kosta Malomitis, Nathan Kiamco, Thomas Daly, Minwoo Yoo, Rohan Lochen, Asher McNally, Dennis Zub, Conor Macfarlane, Brandon Zee, Jack Harland, Ben Mobbs, Oliver Alum, Marcus Mailata, Nihal Hossain and Elijah Tuitufu – congratulations for taking a chance and embracing this opportunity. I am so impressed with these students and am excited to see how they, along with the rest of Year 8, develop their leadership skills over the next few years.

M. Ford
Year 8 Adviser
Duke Of Edinburgh Hiking Expedition
Practice Journey Bungonia Gorge
May 2014

After twice cancelling, due to bad weather the day of the Duke of Edinburgh Practice Journey had finally come!

We had to meet at Rose Bay Secondary College at 7:00am, which meant a 5:30am wakeup for most of us. After meeting the rest of the group, which included 10 Randwick Boys and about 50 Rose Bay students, we were organised into two buses and departed for our journey to Bungonia State Forest, which is about 125km south-west of Sydney. Just over half way, we stopped for some breakfast and continued on our bus trip for another hour. Once we arrived there, we stopped for half an hour for everyone to get organised. The weather at Bungonia was beautiful, sunny and warm with clean, crisp air. Everyone seemed so excited to begin our hike. With our heavy back packs and supplies safely strapped on, we descended an extremely steep gorge. The scenery was amazing! Deep gorges, steep cliffs and sloping hills under a bright blue, clear sky. After about an hour and a half, we waited for everyone to catch up so we could have a quick lunch break. We began walking again and everyone was really tired and couldn’t wait to get to the campsite. The last half hour was the hardest but we finally arrived at our camp site along the Shoalhaven River. The teachers sat us down and told us where to pitch our tents. Everyone worked together really well in their groups. After we pitched our tents, we relaxed around the campsite for the rest of the day, catching up with, and making new friends from Rose Bay College. At night time we sat around the campfire, relaxing and talking, not realising how tired we really were. After the long hard day we went back to our tents and slept.

We woke up the next morning at about 6:00am. We were all up and ready to begin our journey up the mountain. At 10:00am we began. This time, we were ascending the mountain. Hiking up the mountain was definitely much harder than descending, but we were all up to the challenge. After a two hour walk, we finally reached the top. The view from the top of the mountain was breathtaking and it was only then we realised how high up we really walked. After a quick lunch we began our bus trip home. We arrived at Rose Bay Secondary College at 5:00pm and waited for our parents to come and pick us up.

Overall, the journey was great, although walking up was definitely challenging, especially carrying a 12kg backpack. Everyone enjoyed it and it was satisfying to reach our goal of completing the hike. The hike down the gorge was great but I must admit my favourite part of the journey was sitting around the campfire, toasting marshmallows while talking and having a laugh.

By Adam Attia
Year 9

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Excursion Apprentice Restaurant

Mrs Leadbetter and Mr George had the pleasure of accompanying the students from the two Year 10 Food Technology classes to The Apprentice Restaurant in Ultimo on Monday, to indulge in a three course lunch in the 5 star restaurant.

On the 12th of May, the Year 10 Food Tech classes went on an excursion to the Apprentice Restaurant in Ultimo. As we went into the restaurant, a guide guided us through the kitchens where we could see the apprentice chefs cooking. We were also guided to see the apprentices training to work in other parts of the restaurant such as working in the bar, phone calling, and bed making for hotels and so on.

We were guided to the dining tables at the end and we waited to get served food that the apprentices made. While we were waiting, the waiters who were also training put napkins on our laps and served us bread and a cup of drink of our choice. There were about 4 different entree, main and desserts available and we were all served a random one. For the entree, I was served scallops with vanilla butter. There were lots of garnishes such as colourful flowers and sauces poured on the plate in different ways which made a good presentation to all of the dishes. For the main, I had trout with roasted beetrots, sweetened baby carrots and brown rice. There was a huge chunk of trout which I couldn’t eat all of it but tasted really nice. For the dessert, I had an old-school jam-filled doughnut with butterscotch sauce. The doughnut went really well with the sauce so the dessert was my favourite menu.

Leo Tanabe

On Monday our class went to The Apprentice Restaurant in Sydney’s C.B.D. It was definitely an experience I will remember. We were treated well at this 5 star restaurant.

To start off we were given a tour of the building showing all the different facility’s the restaurant had. These included a drink mixing class room and a barista training classroom and other interesting hospitality courses as well as the kitchen. We were also introduced to all the different chefs and experts in their fields.

This restaurant’s purpose is to teach people hospitality meaning that we could have fine dining for only $20 per person. The service was great and they catered for all our needs. We were allowed unlimited drinks prepared for us by a lovely drink mixer.

The food was extravagant. For entree I had crispy toasted lavosh bread and freshly made ricotta. For main I had trout with a side of barley with some baked ground vegetables. The trout was cooked perfectly and melted into my mouth. I could taste a hint of lemon which really complemented the trout. The juxtaposition between the flavoursome trout to the bland barley really made a statement.

This restaurant was amazing and I recommend it for everyone. The staff were very kind and catered for everyone’s needs. It was definitely an experience worth having.

Ariel Heilpern

The apprentice restaurant certainly didn’t look like a TAFE establishment. The moment I arrived, I was stunned with the level of service, eye for detail eg. arranged flowers on each table, mood lighting and instant attention from wait staff. Fair enough, these students were being assessed, but you do feel special when dining at Apprentice.

Hugo Watson

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Meet our Volunteer Reading Tutors

Currently the school is fortunate to have two Community Volunteer Reading Tutors working with students in the library for one morning each week, Natalie du Gard and William Turner. To introduce our tutors to the wider school community and express the school’s appreciation of their fine work we have profiled them for this edition of the school newsletter.

Natalie du Gard

Born in Adelaide, South Australia. Educated Unley High School, SA; UNSW (Bachelor Social Work) and UNSW Institute of Languages (TESOL Diploma), NSW.

Background Retired English teacher, worked in Australian state schools for many years, last school was Concord High, also taught in private, religious and overseas education systems, recent tutor of HSC English.

Interests Jogging, dancing, bush-walking, family time, dining, gym, travel and exploring new places, current affairs.

I tutor Year 7 and 8 students with reading, spelling, writing and comprehension on Friday mornings. To engage students in learning I use a range of activities, encourage fluent expression of ideas in writing and explore different approaches to developing literacy.

Over many years I’ve seen the challenges faced by students who struggle to read and write. I am motivated by the hope that I can contribute my time and energy to change the outcomes for at least one student.

There are things you do well but check out what help is available for the things you struggle with. If you take on the challenge to put in extra work with things you find a bit harder, the rewards are very satisfying.

RBHS staff are welcoming, considerate and supportive. Advice about students’ learning issues, the school program and tutoring is provided. Library facilities are readily available. I really enjoy this program.

Parents, grandparents, family members, retirees, university students, unemployed or other persons interested in volunteer tutoring are invited to contact Mr G M Burke at the school.

William Turner

Background Retired English teacher, worked in Australian state schools for many years, last school was Concord High, also taught in private, religious and overseas education systems, recent tutor of HSC English.

Interests Keeping fit with swimming and surfing, often at Coogee. Reading is one of my main interests.

Tutoring at RBHS I tutor selected Year 7 students on Monday mornings in reading, comprehension and sentence construction.

Reasons for volunteering I wanted to share some of my experience with students at a local school.

Advice for students Reading is the best preparation for all English skills. Comprehension and writing are difficult skills to master and need plenty of practice.

Other When everyone leads such busy lives it is hard to allocate sufficient time for the mastery of literacy skills.

Mr G M Burke
Learning and Support Teacher
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**BEST AND FAIREST**

- Rugby 15As: Martin Pakofe
- Rugby 14As: Raine Dellow
- Rugby 13As: Clarke Parkinson
- Soccer (Football) 1sts: Luke Stalker
- Soccer (Football) 15As: Ronan Long
- Soccer (Football) 14As: Benjamin Mobbs
- Soccer (Football) 13As: Harry Steenbeek
- Soccer (Football) 13Bs: Endrit Toska
- Hockey – Junior: Yigit Guder
- Badminton 2nds: Andrew Susanto
- Badminton 15s: Sayan Nandy
- Table Tennis – 2nds: William Thai
- Table Tennis 14s: Alex Yanaphan

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**RANDWICK BOYS’ HIGH SCHOOL**

**Gifted and Talented Program 2015**

Randwick Boys' High School is pleased to be able to offer to successful students an opportunity to be a part of our Gifted & Talented Program for Year 7, 2015. For current Year 7 students there are limited places for Year 8, 2015.

This is a wonderful chance to be a part of an enriched environment for gifted and academically talented students who are grouped together and provided with stimulating intellectual challenges. The class size is limited to 20 students only. The selection process involves sitting an exam, followed by an interview.


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**The next P & C Meeting**

**will be held on**

- Tuesday 20 May
- 7:30pm
- Staff Common Room

**All welcome**

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A Parent Information evening will be held in the School Library on Tuesday 27th May from 5-6.30pm.

Please direct any queries to the Gifted and Talented Coordinator, Ms A Edwards.

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Game Training RoadShow

An incursion has been arranged offering a wonderful opportunity for all students to learn to create their own commercial quality video games at school.

Date of Incursion:
Tuesday, 17 June 2014 - 9am to 11am in the School Hall

Description:
Students will learn to create their own commercial grade 3D World with hills, ocean, sky and trees which blow in the wind. They will also learn how to import vehicles and create winding roads to make fun driving games, write simple artificial intelligence code and character animation code. They will learn the 12 most important coding concepts needed to create games for all major platforms, mobile devices and games consoles.

Other information:
There will be an initial capacity of 30 students per year set so that all students will have a reasonable chance of securing a place.

Cost:
$45 (includes over $3500 worth of resources)

Special Instructions:
In order to book a place at the Roadshow students must secure a place by returning the permission note (including payment) to reception. Permission notes are available from Mr Bunn, Mr Semaan, Mr Anderson in the Library, and from the front office.

Every Student Receives:
- Links to The Free Commercial Game Development Software (Mac/Windows)
- Access to A Library Of Game Development Resources Valued At Over $3500 - these include vehicle packs, 3D models, scripts, terrain tools, an amazing weather simulator and complete game scenes.
- Video tutorials to use at home.
- A fully coded 10 level game with source code and full resale rights.
- Ongoing Support beyond the event for help with coding and questions.

Paul Bunn
Computer Coordinator
Free Graduated Licensing Scheme Workshops for Learner Driver Parents in the Randwick area

Young drivers are three times more likely to be involved in casualty crashes. That's why the Roads and Maritime Services has introduced a new licensing scheme, with more supervised driving practice for learner drivers.

To help parents in supervising learner drivers, the RMS has set up a FREE 2 hour workshop for parents that offers practical advice on how to help learner drivers become safer drivers.

A FREE RMS parents’ workshop will be conducted by David Riches and hosted by Randwick City Council on Wednesday June 11th at Bowen Library in Maroubra (669 Anzac Parade) from 6.30 pm – 8.30 pm.

Early bookings are essential, by phoning Catherine on 9399 0786 now to reserve your place, or email catherine.hoe@randwick.nsw.gov.au

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SUNDAY 1st JUNE 2014

$Turn trash into CASH$  
Car spots only $30

PLEASE EMAIL Name & contact details to: info@rainbowstpandc.org.au  
OR CALL MOBILE: 0413 841 395

8am – 2pm

OR JUST COME ALONG AND GRAB SOME BARGAINS
Toys, Clothes, Plants, Bric-a-Brac, Books Etc.
Homemade cakes, fresh coffee, Yummy BBQ
Facepainting & Jumping castle for the kids!!

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Presenting the 2014 Randwick Show
‘Time after Time’
The show celebrates iconic moments of each decade from the 50s to now through dance, singing and drama.
WHERE: NIDA Parade Theatre, Anzac Parade
WHEN: Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th August
Tickets will be available through Ticketek at a later date… stay tuned!

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The Palsonic group of companies was established in 1958, and more than 56 years later remains totally, and proudly, Australian owned.
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We are proud silver sponsors of the Randwick Girls’ and Randwick Boys’ High School production “Time After Time”.

Culbra Cash Flow Services
are proud bronze sponsors of the 2014 Randwick Girls’ High School & Randwick Boys’ High School production
“Time After Time”
Make an appointment to discuss how Culbra Cash Flow Services can assist.

Don’t miss out!
We are now taking orders for BLAZERS
Special Offer – only $110.00
If you would like to order a blazer with a logo, the Uniform Shop now has a selection of sizes that you can try on. It will take two to three weeks to make them.
We have an extraordinarily great deal on these. Our 2012 price was $150 - $180. They are NOW available for $110.
If you would like to order a blazer, check your size with the Uniform Shop next Thursday, then pay $110 and give your size details to the front office.
Offer will close when a minimum number has been reached for us to place an order.
FREE COURSE

Skillmax - Jobseekers Course

Develop job search strategies for the Australian employment market

Skillmax - Jobseekers is

- for skilled migrants seeking employment in their chosen profession
- a fast track course to prepare qualified professionals to enter the Australian workforce
- funded by the NSW Government
- free for eligible participants
- delivered in part-time classes for 75 hours

Human resource specialists and employers will provide sessions on the current expectations of finding work and career advice. They will also provide interactive workshops.

Course outline

- Developing a greater awareness of workplace culture and trends in the Australian labour market
- Finding your fit in your field of expertise
- Developing a career portfolio including your resume and cover letter
- Strategies to identify employment opportunities
- Preparing for the job interview
- Career management skills
- Marketing yourself effectively

Credit

Students can obtain Statements of Attainment for modules from Certificate IV in Spoken and Written English.

This qualification is recognised throughout Australia.

Study pathways

On successful completion of this course (subject to availability) you may be eligible to apply for the Skilled Migrant Monitoring Program, which provides:

- access to an industry mentor
- an opportunity to undertake work experience

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Candidates must

- be a permanent Australian resident
- have overseas qualifications
- be seeking work in their field of expertise
- have an IELTS score of 6.5 or equivalent

You will also need to provide the following documents

- Current visa page of your passport
- Your qualifications (English translations)
- IELTS Test Report Form (TRF) or equivalent

Course Dates:

Start: 26/5/14 Finish: 26/6/14
Time: 75 hours (3 days per week, 15 hours over 5 weeks)

Course Location:

Sydney TAFE, Randwick College
Corner of King Street & Darley Road
Randwick NSW 2031

For more information and to apply for Skillmax, please contact:

Jane Lock
on (02) 9409 0574
or email jane.lock@tafensw.edu.au

FREE COURSE

Skillmax is funded by the NSW Government and is delivered in partnership by the NSW Adult Migrant English Service (AMES).