Welcome Year 7 students
From the Principal

New beginnings

I would like to thank staff, parents and students for their well wishes as we begin a new era at Randwick Boys' High School. I am extremely proud to be appointed Principal of this wonderful school with fantastic traditions, results, opportunities, parent involvement, staff, students and 'old boys'. I haven't moved far, having been the Deputy Principal of Randwick Girls' High School for the past 7 years. Before working at Randwick Girls' High School I was Deputy Principal of Randwick Boys' High School for 5 years, so I do know quite a lot about the school, its history, culture, reputation and traditions. I would like to thank Wayne Duncombe for his 8 years' service to Randwick Boys' High School as Principal and to Olga Sofo for her leadership as relieving Principal in 2015.

There will be changes at Randwick Boys' High School. Change is inevitable and with new leadership, comes new direction, targets, expectations and standards as to what it means to be a 'Randwick Boy'. Most of the changes will be subtle. Some will be more noticeable. I have already discussed the new expectations with the student body and staff. Please feel free to attend Parents and Citizens meetings for further discussion. Students are aware WHY we have implemented change. We are actually looking after their futures. Reputations are extremely difficult to alter. Once a reputation takes hold in a community, it is like a moving snowball, gathering pace and size. Randwick Boys' enjoys a great reputation; however, it is time to make it stronger. As I have told the students, we can do this TOGETHER. Ultimately, it is for THEIR benefit, as it will affect their future. Leaving school and University, seeking employment, changing careers and seeking promotion, one inevitable question keeps being asked: "Which school did you attend?" Together, we need to ensure that when a response is "Randwick Boys' High School", the outcome is favourable. We can begin changing the reputation for the better with how we look, the uniform we wear, how we present, how we behave and how we show respect at all times. It is these 'little things' that make such a difference in our community. Rightly or wrongly, this is how we are judged. When we change these things, even slightly, we are showing the public what it means to be a student here, what it means to be a 'Randwick Boy'. Old boys are so proud to say they attended this fine school, let's enhance this and the reputation together by giving the public no reason to doubt how fine we truly are as students, individuals and as a school group. In the end, it will benefit your son/s and their future.

I am really impressed and have praised the students for settling in to the school term so well. The transition from holidays to study patterns and habits has been seamless for most students. I encourage all students to continue this way and do their best at all times in every task they undertake.

Welcome to all new students, especially our new Year 7 students who have really settled in well and are enjoying high school at Randwick Boys' High School.

I look forward to meeting many of you, the parents, at the annual 'Meet the Teachers Evening' on Tuesday February 23rd from 5 pm in our school hall. Come and meet all your son's teachers for 2016 and find out the exciting things he will be studying this year.

Thank you all again,

L Raskall
Principal

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Swimming Carnival

Where: Des Renford Pool, Maroubra
When: Thursday, 11 February, 9am - 2:30pm

$10 for bus from and back to school or make own way to and from venue. Final payment for bus Wednesday 10 February before sport. $3 entry fee to pool for all.

All students are expected to participate.
Attention parents

PLEASE ensure your son brings the correct money when paying at the office. We have limited cash and he may have to wait until the next day for his change.

Admin

A Safe and Healthy School

Does your son have a medical condition about which the school should be aware? Has his medical treatment for an existing condition changed?

We may need to implement a Health Care Plan to support your son at school.

If you learn of a medical condition about which the school should be aware or if your son’s treatment changes for an existing condition, please let the school know so that together we can maintain a safe and healthy environment for all students.

Early Leavers from School

From time to time, students are required by their parents to leave school early. On all occasions, we require written authorisation from parents to be able to approve this. This is especially important on sport afternoons (Wednesdays) when large numbers of students are off site at different venues.

Students should bring their parental letters to the Deputy and they will be signed. Letters are then taken to the rolls office where the early leave is logged on our system.

Student feeling unwell while at school

If your son/ward becomes unwell at school, he needs to:

1. Ask teacher for a note to go to the office.
2. After reporting to the office he will be sent to the Deputy Principal.
3. The Deputy Principal will decide if you need to be called.

This ensures your son/ward's attendance will be correctly marked for the rest of the day.

Administration

Uniform Shop

Please be aware of the new opening hours:

Tuesday 8:30am - 4pm

Useful information for new parents

Please write your son's name on his school uniform as it is expensive for you to replace lost items.
BLAZERS

Special Offer

Due to 2 extra blazers delivered with our last order we are offering 2 size 14 blazers with the RBHS logo for the special price of $110. The first 2 size 14 students who come to the office to pay $110 will have a ready made blazer to take home the same day.

If you miss out on this offer and would like to order a blazer with the RBHS logo check your size at the Uniform Shop next Tuesday. Then give your name and size details to the front office with payment of $110.

It may take 4-6 weeks to make them. Orders will be placed when a minimum number is reached.

Admin

Mathematics Faculty

Is your son in Year 8, 9, 10 or 11?
Does he still have last year's Mathematics textbook?
Please ask your son to hand in his Mathematics textbook(s) to his current Maths teacher.

Thank you
Mathematics faculty

ALTRAC Light Rail News

You may be aware that an updated construction schedule for the CBD and South East Light Rail was published recently. Details can be found on the Sydney Light rail website http://www.sydney-lightrail.transport.nsw.gov.au/about/cbd-and-south-east-light-rail/construction-schedule-january-2016.

The schedule sets out construction activities along the light rail alignment for the first quarter of 2016. It is intended to give residents and businesses who live and work in the South East renewed clarity of when to expect building work near them.

Dates to note in the coming months are:

- Zone 23 (Alison Rd between Anzac Parade & Doncaster Avenue) - begins 11 February 2016, complete November 2016
- Zone 24 (Alison Rd between Doncaster Avenue & Wansey Road) - begins 12 February, complete December 2016
- Zone 29 (Anzac Parade between Todman Avenue & High Street) - begins 02 May 2016, complete November 2016
- Zone 30 (Anzac Parade between High Street & Rainbow Street) - begins 27 June 2016, complete April 2017.

It is important to note that the updated schedule will not impact on the timeline of having all major construction being completed by mid-2018 and services commencing along the new line in early 2019. As each zone's start date approaches, we will ensure that all impacted residents, businesses and other stakeholders are provided with the necessary information.

Thank you for your ongoing support as we continue to build this important project.

Kind regards,
ALTRAC Light Rail

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### Man of the Match Tally

The Man of the Match Tally for the Summer season will now go silent until the presentation day at the end of 2016.

The Winter season Man of the Match Tally will commence at the start of the Winter season in April.

Congratulations to all athletes and especially those students vying for awards at the 2016 Presentation Day ceremony.

### From Around the Grounds

**RBHS 2015 Sport Presentation Awards Ceremony a Huge Success**

RBHS Best and Fairest Snr 2015
Chai SEN

RBHS Best and Fairest Jnr 2015
Tyrell Mayfield

2015 Snr Sportsman of the Year
James Moloney

2015 Jnr Sportsman of the Year
Scott Dyson

NSW Premier Sport Challenge Medal
James Cunningham

2015 Randwick Boys' High School Blue
Felix Long

**NSW Premier’s Sporting Challenge**

2016 NSW Premiers Sporting Challenge begins. Last year was tremendously successful for the NSW Premier’s Sporting Challenge Primary, Secondary and Staff Challenges.

Student participation in the Primary and Secondary Challenges in 2015 increased by more than 40,000, while the Staff Challenge participation doubled to more than 7,500.

**RBHS Swimming Carnival**

at
Des Renford Aquatic Centre
Cnr Jersey and Robey Streets, Heffron Park, Maroubra
on
THURSDAY 11th February 2016 at 9am

$10 for bus from and back to school or make your own way to and from venue. Final payment for bus Wednesday 10 February before sport.

$3 entry fee to pool for all.
RBHS Northwest Metropolitan Zone Finals Contenders

With only 2 more rounds in the summer regular season the following Randwick Boys' High School teams are vying for finals contention.

- Cricket 2nd  2
- Basketball 1st  3
- Waterpolo 1st  2
- Waterpolo 15  3
- Futsal 1st Grade  3
- Futsal 15B  2
- Futsal 15A  4
- Oztag 1st  4
- Oztag 15 A  2
- Oztag 15 B  2

Scott Dyson and Hamish Evans Represent NSW CHS Water Polo 1sts

Year 10 student Scott Dyson and Year 11 student Hamish Evans represent the NSW CHS Water Polo team 1sts, quite an honour for the young men.

1st Grade Water Polo Defeats Epping 6-4 in their first Semi-Final

Trials Commence Wednesday April 6th 2016

(Grade Sport Age Groups: The age that a player is turning in 2016)
- Rugby 1  S. Jackson
- Rugby 15  N. Benson
- Rugby 14  J. Dimopoulos
- Rugby 13  L. George
- Football 1  P. Marando
- Football 2  C. Manavis
- Football 15A  J. Bladwell
- Football 14A  K. Brown
- Football 13A  T. Davis Frank
- Hockey 15  J. Andrewartha/ V. Hatton
- Badminton  T. Nguyen/ Ms Quansah
- Table Tennis 1  D. Sharma
- Table Tennis 15  D. Sharma
- Table Tennis 14  D. Sharma
- Tennis 1 2 15 14  G. Burke
- Tennis 2  G. Burke
- Lawn Bowls  G. Grasso

World Schools Rugby Challenge, Canberra
16 - 23 APRIL 2017

Interested Students should see Mr Jackson, Mr George or Mr Brown to express an interest.

The 2017 World Schools Rugby Challenge invites all school and club teams from all over the world to meet in Canberra, Australia for a unique sporting, cultural and educational experience. The Challenge includes a welcome BBQ, four days of play, two days at leisure with educational options, rugby lectures and a finale dinner and awards evening.

Students will meet individuals from all over the world, learn about different cultures, enjoy playing rugby in a leading rugby centre and experience the impressive capital city of Australia, Canberra. The objectives of the World Schools Rugby Challenge are:

- To encourage participation and development of youth rugby within Clubs, High Schools and the educational system.
- To assist promising Club and High School rugby players to continue to develop their skills on the field in friendly competition with players throughout the rugby world.
- To provide a solid base for young rugby players to plan their rugby future.
- To provide educational opportunities and experiences for students with an interest in rugby.
- To promote the enjoyment and qualities of rugby as a recreational alternative for youth regardless of their rugby abilities.
- To promote the traditional values of rugby through international competition in attractive rugby and educational destinations.

Winter Sport 2016

RBHS Winter sport selections will be done online this year

All students in Year 8 - Year 11 have been provided with a seven digit access code.

Students must go to the web address web.edval.com.au/login and enter their code to choose their sport preferences. Once submitted the sheet can be printed and signed by parents and handed in to the office or to Mr Brown, Sport Coordinator.

The last day to choose your sport for the Winter Season will be the 19th February 2016.

Sports on offer next season are below and students are reminded that grade sports incur a bus fee of $60.00 per season.
RBHS - Study Skills Time Line - Elevate Education – 2016

Randwick Boys’ High School is in the second year of a study skills program with Elevate Education. Students, teachers and parents are involved. The following provides a time line and a description of the seminar that the students are participating in. The program is supported by staff and parent workshops as indicated below, to ensure reinforcement in the classroom and at home.

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| 7,8,9| **Kick Start** | This seminar breaks down the transition process from primary school to secondary education, introducing students to the fundamental skills specific to each cohort that they need to be using over the coming years, Including:  
  · Dynamic Reading  
  · Note-taking strategies  
  · Conceptual learning  
  · Independent Learning |
| 10   | **Study Sensei** | This seminar provides students with a roadmap for what work they will have to do across the year. Specific skills include:  
  · Note-taking strategies  
  · Effective revision techniques  
  · Conceptual learning techniques including mind-mapping  
  · Succeeding with practice papers  
  · Developing independent learning |
| 10   | **Careers 1** | This seminar provides students with a range of skills in order to help them locate and apply for their ideal job, even for casual jobs. Specific skills include:  
  · How to locate job opportunities  
  · Building a standout Cover Letter  
  · Building a standout CV |
| 11   | **Student Elevation** | This seminar examines the key fundamentals for senior school success and introduces students to a range of skills that will allow them to motivate themselves throughout the year, including:  
  · The role of self-belief, conditioned self-belief and self-limitation  
  · Establishing a 4-step goal setting process  
  · Breaking goals into a series of achievable, short-term benchmarks |
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| 12 | Ace Your Exams |
|    | This session provides students with a range of skills to improve exam preparation and exam room performance. Specific skills include: |
|    | · Developing a continuous learning loop |
|    | · How to use an exam planner |
|    | · Exam preparation timeline |
|    | · Getting the most out of practice papers |
|    | · Rationing time in an exam |
|    | · Breaking down an exam question |
|    | · Stress management |

| 12 | Memory and Mnemonics |
|    | The outcome of this session is to move students away from rote-learning in order to develop higher level memory skills. Skills examined include: |
|    | · Role of attention |
|    | · Encoding techniques and learning styles |
|    | · Semantic learning techniques including mnemonics and associative learning |
|    | · Recall skills |

Y Loizou
Maths Head Teacher
18 November 2015

Dear School Admin Manager

I’m writing to you in advance of the 2016 school year to advise of changes to the three-digit route numbers of School Special bus services to your school.

From the start of Term 1, most School Special bus services will be renumbered to eliminate any duplication of route numbers that may have caused confusion to students in the past.

Please note these changes do not impact the level of service provided to your school or the route taken by these services. The only change is to the three-digit route number of these services.

Detailed information regarding these changes is available on the Sydney Buses website: www.sydneybuses.info.

We ask that you promote the changes specific to your school in your bulletins, newsletters and at assemblies to ensure students are aware of their school route numbers prior to school vacation.

If you have any questions or require further information regarding bus services to your school, please don’t hesitate to contact me directly on 9582 7666.

Yours sincerely

Eric Graham
Regional Traffic & Service Manager
Eastern Region Operations