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*Rochester Secondary College exists to provide quality learning for all in a challenging and nurturing environment.*

## Principal's Report:

Unfortunately our school was badly affected by the storm last Sunday. There has been some flooding in our main wing and Library in particular, but other areas were water logged as well. We are in the process of relaying carpet in the main wing. This has caused some inconvenience and strong smells but hasn't interrupted our regular teaching program. Hopefully the problems will be fully resolved over the next few days.

I am also aware that some of our staff and families were badly affected by the storm and wish them well in their recovery.

We are all very pleased to hear that Taylor Marrone is making gradual progress in her recovery from her sudden illness. The entire school community wishes her and her family well and hope her progress continues.

Year 11 students and parents need to be very vigilant over the next few weeks with regard to the arrangements for their upcoming exams. The English exam will be on Friday 13th November. Details of arrangements will be distributed to all students very soon. Parents will need to read the information and sign accordingly. We are very keen for students to perform at their peak for every exam. We are also very keen for parents and the school to be fully aware of attendance arrangements.

As usual thanks for your ongoing support.

Bernie Altmann  
Principal

## School Meetings

Nov	11th	Wednesday	Parents Club	10.00 am
Nov	26th	Thursday	School Council	7.30 pm

## Important Dates

### November 2015

13th (Fri) - Year 11 English Exam

20th (Fri) - Last day of Year 11 classes

23rd-25th (Mon-Wed) - Year 11 Exams

23rd-27th (Mon-Fri) - Year 10 Exam Week

26th (Thurs) - Year 11-12 Orientation Day

27th (Fri) - Year 12 Formal Ball

### December 2015

1st (Tue) - Last Day Year 10 classes

2nd (Wed) - Peer Support Training

3rd (Thurs) - Year 10-11 Orientation Day

8th (Tue) - Grade 6 Orientation Day

8th (Tue) - **Secondhand Uniform/Book Sale**

9th-11th (Wed-Fri) - Year 8 Camp, Anglesea

11th (Fri) - Activities Day Years 9 and 7

14th (Mon) - Activity Day for Year 8's

15th (Tue) - Presentation Night

# Around the College

## VET 2016

**A** reminder to families of students who have selected to do a VET subject in 2016, your fee of \$650 will be due for payment **TOMORROW Friday, November 6th**. If paying by cheque it should be made payable to Rochester Secondary College.

Once payment has been received and your child's place in the course has been confirmed (including final confirmation of numbers by Echuca College), any monies received will not be refunded.

If you require further information about payment please contact the College on 54841 844.

## English Novels 2016

**C**urrent Year 10 and 11 students if you are wanting to pre order your English novels for 2016, please return your form and payment to the box at the office by **TOMORROW 6th November**. This will enable you to collect the novels in December.

If you have any questions please contact the school on 54841 844.

## Booklist 2016

**E**ach student should have received two copies of the booklist, one to be retained by you for your reference and one to be placed with your book supplier. (If you order through J I Office Products a donation is given back to the College).

If ordering through J I Office Products orders need to be returned to the box at the College office foyer no later than **Friday December 11th. NO MONEY is to be returned with this list.** If you have not received a booklist please call at the office to collect one.

**Sale of Secondhand Books:** Books and money **can not** be left at the office for other students to collect. This **MUST** be done between the two parties.

# Community News

## Kelpie X Pups - For Sale

Three Black kelpie x Huntaway pups, 10wks old. Parents good sheep dogs. Good natured with kids. Vet-check, wormed, vaccinated \$200 Phone: 0428 840 621

# Community News

## Lockington 2016 Deb Ball

Expressions of interest are now sought for girls who would like to participate in the May 2016 Lockington Deb Ball.


If insufficient numbers of girls are interested it is possible that the ball may become biannual, so any interested girls in Years 10 and 11 are asked to contact the numbers below by 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2015. Phone Rachel Baker 0428 368 231 or Louise Murray 0428 865 338.


## Rochester Lawn Tennis Club

Junior Doubles Tournament will be held on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November. 8.30 am registrations for a 9.00 am start. \$10 entry held at the Rochester Lawn Tennis courts. Open to all juniors 16 & under playing junior tennis. Entries to Lisa Myers 0408 371 837 or Simone Palmer 0417 336 404 by 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2015.

## Lost

Lost a Year 12 text book "No Sugar" from the Rochester Secondary College. If found please return to the office.

2016  
  
*"Times of Change"*  
6<sup>th</sup> March - 13<sup>th</sup> March



The second Annual Rochester Mural Festival will be held in March 2016. Local secondary students are offered the opportunity to participate in the student section at the festival.  
The theme for the 2016 Festival is "Times of Change"

Boards for the murals will be supplied to student artists and will measure 420mm high and 960mm wide. (landscape format).  
There is no restriction on the paint colours for students. Paint can be rolled, sprayed or painted with a brush. Students may work in teams of two.


Entry into the student section of the Mural Festival will be through pre selection from submitted design sketch accompanying the official entry form. Finalists will be chosen by a panel of judges appointed by the Mural Festival Event Team. Their decision will be based on the following criteria:

- Response to Mural Festival theme "Times of Change"
- Originality
- Technique

**1<sup>st</sup> PRIZE - Student Mural \$100**  
A professional and well respected judging panel will decide the winning Rochester Mural, their decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into. The membership of the judging panel is confidential until the final day.

**JUDGES HIGHLY COMMENDED AWARD - AU \$50.00**

For further information and Entry forms please contact  
Sharon Heme  
C/O Rochester Secondary College  
Rochester, Victoria. 3561.  
Ph. 54841844.

  
Under license from  
International Mural Fest  
Sheffield Tasmania

Applications close 12 December 2015

## Rochester Driving School

Brian Crockett Accredited Driver Trainer is offering driving lessons in a Manual & Automatic car in the Rochester & District Area.  
For more information he can be contacted on **54842 182** or **0438 095 651** or [www.rochesterdrivingschool.com.au](http://www.rochesterdrivingschool.com.au)