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HIGHLIGHTS

- Y11 & 12 Careers Market & UAC Presentation
- New Language at RGHS
- Zone Swimming Carnival
- LOTE News
- Year 7 & 9 NAPLAN

WELCOME

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers

I hope this newsletter edition finds you well.

I want to firstly thank the readers for your partnership with our school. As you are aware, Randwick Girls' High School is the only public non-fee paying single-sex girls' comprehensive school in Sydney's Eastern Suburbs. Your partnership has made our school highly successful and sought after educational institution over the past decades. Thank you!

What a hot spell we just had! I hope some cooler days are ahead of us as the month of March progresses. Please help us to send the same message to your daughters in hot weather – wear a hat, stay in the shade, and stay hydrated. I want to remind parents and students that we have cold water stations at school for students to drink from, and to fill their water bottles from. These were donated by P&C a few years ago.

Collaborative artwork on display

I am pleased to start this fortnight's newsletter with congratulations to the Year 9 students

whose collaborative artwork with our neighbour, Newmarket is now on display on the hoarding of their new development at Fennelly Street.



Principal's message continued on next page

Principal's message continued

The students undertook this community project with their teacher, Ms. Theodoridis. Their artwork pieces, which depict animals in our local ecosystems, were delicately constructed using flora collected from the same ecosystems. Students will have a chance to visit the site with their teacher in the next few weeks and see their artwork firsthand. Here are a few examples of their work. I am sure you will agree with me that they are magnificent!



Welcome back to the class of 1971!

Recently we welcomed back the class of 1971. Our alumni shared wonderful memories with staff and students over morning tea. They also walked down memory lane when they were taken on tour by our SRC leaders, with many places they have loved still preserved as they remembered them.

While more than fifty years have passed since they were last here for their Year 12 classes, nothing has changed for their love and strong support for single sex education.

These alumni have done very well since leaving their alma mater. We are so proud of them!

It was indeed wonderful to share our school with them again, even when it was only for a few hours!

Thank you to the school band for their amazing performance.

International Women's Day

Wednesday 8 March was the official 2023 International Women's Day. We chose to mark this important occasion last Wednesday instead so that Year 12 students could also attend the whole school assembly with the rest of the year

groups. The theme of *Embracing Equality* is so timely and poignant as the call to continue to hope and work for women's equality is as strong as it was now that we continue to do the very same thing at Randwick Girls' as we have been doing over the past 65 years, since its inception.

The assembly was an immense success as we heard from numerous student speakers who positioned the school as one of the unique places where students can be inspired to bring more gender equality to this world through empowerment, immersion, and development into informed individuals. There were also three invited speakers to the assembly, and they were; Dr Marjorie O'Neill who spoke about the need to continue to have gender equity especially around domestic violence, Ms Leanne Bergan on the need to have more women in politics and Ms Rachael Roberts on the work our school is currently undertaking in the area of women in innovations especially in the STEM program Years 7 and 8 students are undertaking in the subject known as *Girls Inspired to Innovate* (GITI).

Year 12 students

Year 12 students have just completed a full week of assessments this week. We applaud them for their preparations for these tasks, which ranged from practical experiments in Science to oral tasks in Languages, alongside pen and paper examinations.

I commend them for their hard work and commitment to their HSC studies.

Year 11 and 12 Careers Information Evening

Ms Evers has put together an excellent information evening for Stage 6 parents and students on Monday 13 March 2023 in the school's hall. The evening will consist of two parts:

- Careers Market from 5pm to 6pm
- University Admission Centre (UAC) Presentation from 6pm to 7pm

We are extremely fortunate to be able to secure the attendance and presentations of several universities and colleges for this event. They include the three universities closest to our

school, UNSW, UTS and USyd. UAC presenters will speak about ATAR and the calculation of students' ATAR scores, how to apply to universities, how to access special schemes, and so on. Limited parking is available in the school's car park with parking also available on the streets nearby. We look forward to seeing you at this important event.

Harmony Day at RGHS!

It's back! We are excited that after several years of Covid and it's restrictions, our very own unique way to celebrate inclusion and diversity of our community is once again back!

Mark this day in your calendar – 31 March 2023. The activities on this day include a smoking ceremony, parade of nations, cultural performances, international feast, cultural sporting events, bush dance and much more.

Parents and carers are invited to attend from 9 to 11 am. If interested, we ask that you register your attendance with the Front Office by 28 March. Please understand that you are not permitted to take any still or moving images of other children, except your own, while you are on site on this day or at any other function.

RGHS Annual Open Day

This coming Tuesday 14 March is the 2023 RGHS Open Night, when our visitors have a chance to meet the teachers and students on our campus. They will also be informed of our outstanding curricular and co-curricular programs. The Open Night will be informing our community that we are an innovative educational community

specialising in girls' education, with a strong commitment to:

- Empowering young women to be tomorrow's leaders
- Supporting female students to achieve their personal best in education
- Offering the widest possible range of innovative curricular and co-curricular programs
- Underpinning learning with an exceptional wellbeing program targeted at girls
- Providing highly qualified and dedicated staff who possess a broad base of expertise
- Nurturing a love of learning in an academic rich learning environment
- Providing educational opportunities in STEM and vocational education

Randwick Girls' High School is indeed the only public non-fee paying single-sex girls' comprehensive school in Sydney's Eastern Suburbs!

We appreciate our parents and carers spreading the Open Night opportunity, with a chance to see the school in action. Please tell your neighbours, friends, and workmates! If any parents would like to visit our school during this time because they have missed out on seeing the school during the Covid years, please feel free to come along as well. We love to see you.

Lucy Andre
Principal

**The RGHS and RBHS Combined 2023 School Show
will once again be on the NIDA stage this year**

Behind every door there is a story

26 and 27 April

**Show tickets are now on sale at
premier.ticketek.com.au**

Class of 1971 Reunion Photos





From the Deputies

International Women's Day

Randwick Girls' High School celebrated International Women's Day on Thursday 1 March. Our guest speakers Dr Marjorie O'Neill and Leanne Bergan reminded us that International Women's Day has become a time to reflect on progress, to call for change and to celebrate the courage and determination of the women who changed history, and those who will advance gender equality into the future. School leaders Kiera and Amy reflected on International Women's Day as an occasion to review how far women have come in their struggle for equality, peace and development as well as an opportunity to unite, network and mobilise for meaningful change.

Open Night

Randwick Girls' High School Open Night is being held on Tuesday 14 March from 5.30pm. This is a great opportunity for families of current and prospective students to see and experience some of the engaging learning areas on offer at Randwick Girls' High School. There will be lots of opportunities for visitors to speak to the staff passionate about their areas of learning. This event is also supported by several student helpers who proudly represent the school through participating in live demonstrations or acting as Tour Guides for guests visiting the school. Everyone is welcome.

Arrangements for NAPLAN 2023 Years 7 & 9

NAPLAN (National Assessment Program- Literacy & Numeracy) is taking place for Years 7 & 9 students in week 7 and 8 this term. NAPLAN is a point-in-time assessment, that allows parents and schools to see how students are progressing in literacy and numeracy, against the national standard and compared with their peers throughout Australia. The data from NAPLAN is one of the tools that teachers use to understand your child's progress and plan for their teaching and learning.

Students will require headphones for their NAPLAN so please remind your child to bring their headphones to school each day.

Regards
Ms Reilly

As I write this week's report, Year 12 are midway through their Assessment Week Block. I wish them all the best in their endeavours and want to take this opportunity to stress the importance of reading and acting upon the feedback of their teachers when their tasks are returned. Research shows that effective feedback has a significant effect on learning outcomes, and the teachers at Randwick Girls do a wonderful job in providing targeted, timely and constructive feedback for this very reason. Students in all years should adopt practices post exam or assignment involving a systematic review of their work, with reference to the feedback provided by teachers, as well as to the marking rubric/criteria for the task. Adopting such a growth mindset is a great way to ensure that you are continuously improving your knowledge and skills and incorporating post assessment practices is one practical way of doing this. If in doubt, speak to your teacher and clarify any areas which you are unsure about.

This coming Monday 13 March sees RGHS host its annual Careers Market and UAC presentation, and I encourage all students in Years 11 and 12 to attend. This is an opportunity to hear first-hand from presenters from UAC on the process behind calculation of the ATAR, matters related to the attainment of a HSC, as well as demystify issues related to these areas. The event starts at 5pm, and special thanks goes to our Careers Advisor Ms Evers for organising this amazing evening.

Finally, on Tuesday 14 March our school will be hosting our annual Open Night. This is an opportunity for prospective students and parents to attend our school and see all the wonderful programs, facilities and events on offer, as well as to hear first-hand from our dedicated staff. Your assistance in spreading the word to any interested parents, students and caregivers would be greatly appreciated.

Until next time
Mr Reikic



CAREERS MARKET + UAC PRESENTATION

CAREERS MARKET

The Careers Market runs from 5pm to 6pm and will be attended by various leading tertiary providers such as the University of Sydney, the University of NSW, and the University of Technology, in addition there will be representatives from colleges, apprenticeship centres and industry professionals. This event provides a fantastic opportunity for students and their parents/carers to speak with the exhibitors about the numerous post-school options on offer.

Year 11 & Year 12 students and their parents/carers are warmly invited to join us for the Randwick Girls' High School Careers Market and Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) Presentation evening on Monday the 13th of March 2023 in the Randwick Girls' High School MPC at 5pm.

UAC PRESENTATION

For Year 11 & Year 12 students and their parents/carers.

Please join us for UAC's presentation on "The ATAR and Applying to University through UAC" from 6pm, Monday 13th of March 2023 in the RGHS MPC. UAC will cover topics including:

- What the ATAR is,
- How the ATAR is calculated,
- Scaling, why?
- The UAC application process,
- Educational Access Schemes,
- Schools Recommendation Schemes (early entry via UAC)
- Direct Early Entry Schemes,
- Equity Scholarships,
- Adjustment Factors & selection ranks,
- Offers



There will be an opportunity to ask UAC your questions afterwards! If you have any questions prior to the event, please do not hesitate to contact Ms Lisa Evers, the Careers Adviser.

*** Please note it is advised attendees use public transport to travel to this event, as only limited parking will be available in the RGHS school's carpark.**





Maintaining a safe environment in our school toilets

Randwick Girls' High School is committed to providing a clean and safe environment for all students. This is also important in relation to the toilet facilities. In addition, we are also committed to providing a private space for all students in the toilets.

The school has committed extensive funds to upgrading both the junior and senior toilets to a high standard. It is expected that all students will demonstrate respect for other students and the facilities by leaving the toilets as clean as they have found them. It is also an expectation that students respect the privacy of others by using the toilets as they are intended and not as a place for congregation.

To ensure this, several measures have been implemented including the use of a classroom monitoring sign out system and the use of a toilet pass.

Why are we doing this?

We take the safety of our students seriously and classroom teachers have a responsibility to always know the whereabouts of all students. We anticipate that the use of the monitoring sheets will help students maintain school facilities to a higher standard for the comfort and safety of all students.

As educators we are committed to maximising class time for student learning and ensuring that our students learn to prioritise their health between breaks. The toilet monitoring procedure has been implemented to help students to adjust to the realities of the working world and develop positive working and learning habits.

Student Voice

Our students will be asked to fill in a survey about the school toilets. This will help us to ascertain a clear understanding of our students views and uncover any areas for improvement.

COME AND ENJOY OPEN NIGHT

ON TUESDAY 14 MARCH



5.30PM

School Hall

Tuesday 14th March 2023

RANDWICK GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL OPEN NIGHT



Join us for our annual Open Night to gain an insight and information on the diverse curriculum and opportunities on offer. Come and meet our students and staff.

At Randwick Girls' we are focused on girls' education. We...

- Empower young women to be tomorrow's leaders
- Secure academic success for aspirational students
- Offer a wide range of innovative curricular and co-curricular programs
- Provide exceptional wellbeing and student support targeted at girls
- Have highly qualified and dedicated staff who provide outstanding teaching and personalised learning opportunities

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Our outstanding HSC results from 2022!

- 2nd in Swedish
- 3rd in the state in Korean
- 4th in the state in Chinese Continuers
- 6 Dance nominations
- 4 Design & Technology nominations
- 2 Visual Arts selections to Art Express
- 2 Music 1 nominations

SCHOOL TOURS

Small group tours with the Principal or an Executive staff member conducted every week.

Alternate Tuesday 9:30am-10:30am / Thursday 2pm-3pm

Contact the office for details and to book a visit on 9398 3233

Tours can be arranged for other times if required.

YEAR 4 VISIT

STUDENT HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE DAY

Tuesday 21st November

A day of classes and activities for Year 4 students in the area to experience a day in high school

SCHOOL SHOW

An annual production of song, dance and theatre!

Come along watch in awe as students showcase their amazing talents.

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Introducing Hebrew to RGHS



שלום

This has been a historic year for Randwick Girls High School and the LOTE Faculty with the exciting introduction of the teaching of Hebrew in Year 7 following a suggestion to introduce this by Ms Andre last year.

To my mind, we are the only state high school in the Eastern Suburbs so far offering Hebrew on site as part of our school program.

I feel both honoured and privileged to have been asked to teach Hebrew at RGHS this year having previously done so at Emanuel School and Masada College and being extremely fortunate to have majored in both Hebrew and History at university.

We have seven Year 7 students studying Hebrew at present. Our program utilizes the Ulpan Or system, which is used in a number of Jewish Day schools internationally, including here in Sydney, and is primarily intended to give our students a taste of getting oriented in Hebrew starting with day to day question and answer conversational Hebrew such as, for example, saying one's name in Hebrew following being asked in Hebrew, "What is your name, where do you live, what is your phone number" etc, in addition to familiarising students with day to day conversational Hebrew such as ordering food, counting numbers in Hebrew, identifying colours, body parts, nouns and verbs, Hebrew letters and vowels etc.

The aim is to provide our students with an exciting and dynamic Hebrew language learning experience integrating the teaching of Hebrew songs and dance in order to provide the student with a unique contemporary "hands on" and experiential atmosphere in the classroom and to give the student an

intuitive and useful understanding and the ability to use necessary expressions so that they can feel more at home with both speaking, reading and writing Modern Hebrew as a “living” language.

At the same time, the program is designed to blend in with the LOTE faculty’s NESA designed language program in the teaching at our school of our other languages such as French, Chinese and Japanese etc.

The Hebrew program, being in its infancy and pioneering stages, is naturally a developing and evolving one, with future plans being to integrate Ulpan Or’s outstanding digital resources which include exciting digital audio visual material, flash card mobile applications, in class and at home assignments, test yourself quizlets etc, all of which are easily downloadable as PDF files onto smartphones, tablets or apps in order to give students a 21st century teaching and learning experience.

So why learn Hebrew in the first place?

With its right-to-left writing system and a curious-looking square alphabet, modern Hebrew seems to be a challenging language to learn at first glance. And although it certainly has some novelty elements (like every other language), there’s an abundance of fantastic reasons why one should learn Hebrew!

Hebrew is an ancient yet modern language with an amazing history dating back more than 3,000 years, making it an exciting example of a classic language revived as a modern “living” language. While being steeped in antiquity, the Hebrew language only surfaced as a modern spoken language just over a century ago. Learning the language enables our students to gain an appreciation and understanding of its long history in a fun and dynamic manner in the classroom.



Finally, learning Hebrew is a personal challenge. With its unique right to left writing format, a separate vowel and consonant system and a gender differentiation of nouns, verbs and adjectives, it provides our students with an exciting intellectual challenge and is a welcome addition to the other languages and subjects on offer at our school.

It is also an exciting and challenging experience for the teacher!

I’d like to thank Ms Andre and the LOTE Faculty staff for their unflinching support and enthusiasm in embracing something new, dynamic and innovative at our school.

Shalom and Lehitraot

להתראות

Farewell and see you later

Regards

Mr Kaplinski

Zone Swimming Carnival



On Tuesday 7 March a group of RGHS students represented the school at the Zone Swimming Carnival. The students are to be congratulated for their attitude and effort throughout the day. All the students showed maturity in the way they competed and RGHS school spirit was evident as they supported each other throughout the day. It was a highly successful carnival for RGHS with five relay teams qualifying for the Sydney East Swimming Championships as well as six students qualifying for individual events. Special congratulations to Mika (12 years) and Lily (17 years) who finished the day as Age Champions.

A team of 15 students will travel to Sydney Olympic Aquatic Centre on Monday and we wish them the best of luck in their races.



**The Gideons have dropped off free copies of the bible
for any student who would like to have one
Students can collect a copy by visiting the Front Office**

LOTE News



It has been a pleasure working with the Languages faculty, a hardworking and dedicated team who are highly specialised in their subject areas of Chinese, French, Spanish, Japanese and newly offered in 2023, Hebrew. I want to thank the Language Teachers but also the school community in general who have welcomed me so warmly and enabled me to settle into a new school environment.

It pleases me to see that Languages is a thriving subject in this school and that we also have the expertise to deliver the courses. Learning languages opens doors to many career opportunities, but also has long-term benefits such as cultural awareness and strengthening brain muscles.

We are excited to showcase what our faculty has to offer during **Open Night on Tuesday 14 March from 5.30-7.30pm**. Following that, our faculty is also spearheading the all-day whole school event, **Harmony Day on Friday 31 March**. This is just the start of a very productive year ahead in 2023.

From our teachers' point of view, we have been very excited to have an assistant teacher from Japan who has been assisting Mr Cajes in the classroom. Ms Kokoro has been here for three weeks and will be finishing her Australian teaching experience at the end of Week 7. We are sad that she has to go back to Japan, as she has been a very popular member of our staff with the students and has been very engaged in our Japanese classrooms. Later this term, Mr Cheng will be attending the Chinese Teachers Association conference for a whole day in Parramatta for a great day of Professional Learning. He'll report back on this event next term.

We are also proud of our Year 12 Language students who have just undergone their examination for their assessment task during Week 6. Well done to this cohort and the teachers who have been preparing so early for their big year in the HSC.

In the coming weeks, our teachers are going to be busy collating and marking Language Assessment tasks such as:

- Year 9 Assessment Task 1 – Due Week 6, Term 1
- Year 7 Assessment Task 2 – Due Week 7, Term 2
- Year 10 & 11 Assessment Task 1 – Due Week 8, Term 1
- Year 8 Assessment Task 1 (a) – Due Week 9, Term 1
- Year 9 Assessment Task 2 – Due Week 9, Term 1
- Year 7 Assessment Task 2 – Due Week 2, Term 2
- Year 8 Assessment Task 1 (b) – Due Week 2, Term 2
- Year 10 Assessment Task 2 – Due Week 2, Term 2

Students are encouraged to ask their Language Teachers any questions relating to their upcoming assignments.

I wish everyone the best for a great start to the term and into this new academic year for Randwick Girls High School.

Mr Roma

Head Teacher Secondary Studies / LOTE

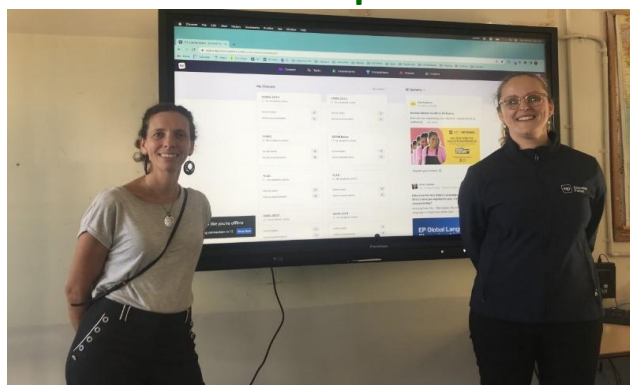
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Class activities



7LAR play a speaking game in the French class. As they catch the “mini-teacher”, students must introduce themselves in French.

Professional development



In Week 5, LOTE staff attended a presentation by the language expert from the online learning platform Education Perfect. The presenter provided a refresher on how to use the interactive tool to develop all skills (listening, reading, writing, speaking) and to assist with differentiation in the classroom.

Language assistant



日本語の教育について学ぶためにオーストラリアへ渡航しました。日本では大学で日本語教育の基礎知識や現状、授業の作り方などを学習していました。実際の日本語教育を直接体験し、新たな視点を得たいと思っています。Randwick Girls' High Schoolには4週間通い、生徒の日本語学習のサポートや日本語の実際を教えたり、私が授業を行ったりします。生徒たちに私との関わりの中でより日本語に深く触れ、日本の文化により興味を持ってもらいたいと思っています。そして生徒たちの世界が広がるきっかけになったらと思います。

My name is Kokoro Hirota. I am from Kyoto and I have travelled to Australia as part of my study. In Japan, I study Japanese language education. I would like to gain a new perspective by experiencing, firsthand, Japanese language education. I am at RGHS for four weeks where I will support the students in their Japanese studies, teach them practical aspects of the Japanese language, and conduct my own classes. I hope that my interaction with the students will deepen their understanding of the Japanese language and interest them in Japanese culture. I hope that I will be able to help them expand their worldview.

International Women's Day:



This week, Year 9 Spanish celebrated International Women's Day (Equality for ALL women!).

New teacher



Hello! My name is Angela Zhang, and I am delighted to introduce myself as a new teacher of Chinese and Japanese at RGHS. I started my teaching journey last year as a practicum teacher in RGHS, where I gained valuable experience in an area that I am passionate about.

Teaching has always been my passion, and I am excited to share my love for Chinese and Japanese languages and cultures with my students. I believe that language learning should be fun, engaging and meaningful, and I strive to create a positive and supportive classroom environment where all students feel comfortable to learn and grow. I use a variety of teaching methods and materials to cater to different learning styles and engage my students in the learning process.

I am looking forward to getting to know my students and guiding them on their language learning journey.

New senior course



No me gustan...

los tomates



At RGHS, we are offering Year 11 Spanish Continuers, for the first time in 2023.

Students started the year by talking about themselves in Spanish, including their likes and dislikes. They are now writing in Spanish about their friendships, relationships and reflecting on the various parts that make up their identity.

Harmony Day 2023

The Harmony Day celebration has become our school's tradition in recognising the wonderful diversity of our community. This year the theme is *Everyone Belongs*. We are delighted to announce our celebration will happen on **Friday 31 March during Week 9**.

The day will start off with a Harmony Day Assembly filled with amazing performances by our talented students, followed by a range of fun cultural activities the students will experience learning about other cultures, a culinary feast during lunch featuring stalls with foods from around the world plus a BBQ sausage sizzle! During the afternoon, students will be treated to a Sports Gala afternoon on the field with a student Vs staff game to enrich our unity as a community.

On the day, students can wear traditional costumes from their cultural heritage, their flag or mother country's colours or simply wear Orange as the Harmony Day colour. Students are to bring a Gold Coin donation to participate on the day and they are also encouraged to bring some money to some of the tasty foods from around the world that various faculties will be selling at the stalls. All the proceeds and donations will go to UNICEF Australia for the Syria and Turkey Emergency Appeal which our SRC have unanimously voted as the organisation to support during our wonderful celebration. A worthy cause to support during this time of need, especially because this is close to the heart of some members of our community.

For any students who want to be part of our Harmony Day conversation and be completely informed about the things happening, please join our **Google Classroom, code: va64aah**

Our Harmony Day Poster competition, has kicked off with many talented students submitting their entries, here are but a few:



By Bronte



By Mira, Mabel
and Ninh



By Matilda

Winning entries will be displayed across the school.

We need our school community to donate foods that we can sell in our stalls for our fundraiser. The more foods we sell, the more we can donate to our charity. Here is a list of faculties who will be managing stalls with food for the following cultures:

Faculty

LOTE
Creative Arts
Science
Social Sciences
English
TAS
History
PDHPE
Maths

Cultures Represented

China/HK/Taiwan
South America
Greek
Maori / Pacific Islander /Polynesian/ African
Asian
Middle Eastern / Arabic
First Nations / Jewish
First Nations
Indian & South East Asian

Head Teachers

Mr Roma
Ms Theodoridis
Ms Chapman
Mr James
Ms Livesey
Ms Neroutsos
Ms Jansen
Mr Davidson
Ms Moore

If you can donate foods from any of these cultures above, students are encouraged to speak to or contact any of the Head Teachers who will be taking names down and organising the food in the stalls.

We are very much looking forward to enjoying the continued conversation of 'harmony' and 'unity' and look forward to celebrating this on our Harmony Day.

Mr Roma

Head Teacher Secondary Studies / LOTE



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What's Happening in the library?

The Randwick Girls' High School library is an inviting and friendly sanctuary, as well as a safe and socially inclusive teaching and learning space for students and staff.

Following a few urgent repairs to damage caused by heavy winds, the Library is now back to normal.

Opening Hours:

Library is open every day from 8.30am until 3.15pm.

Services for students:

- Senior study and seminar rooms for use for private study and project work.
- Printing and photocopying
- Computers Assistance with research, assignments, related texts and creative writing

Printing Reminder

All students are able to print both colour and black and white A4 pages. Printing costs 10c for a black and white page and 30c for a colour page. You need to swipe your school ID card and insert coins next to the photocopier or see the library staff to add funds into your school account.

If you have difficulties printing from the computer please ask the staff for assistance.

Library staff are also available to help with any additional questions and assistance with school tasks. You can email Mr Kominos at con.kominos@det.nsw.edu.au

Library Monitors 2023

The library has four new monitors to help in the library. They are Kayla, Amelia, Lara, and Maddie, all of Year 7.





Each year RGHS participates in the Premier's Reading Challenge. To achieve the challenge, students simply read 20 books up until 18 August. At least 15 of the books must be chosen from the Premier's Reading Challenge List. Students who complete the challenge will receive a certificate signed by the NSW Premier. Students who participate for multiple years will receive Gold or Platinum certificates. Students who have completed the challenge every year from Year 3 to Year 9 will receive the Premier's Reading Challenge Medal. RGHS encourages all students to complete the challenge. The Challenge is now open, **START READING NOW!!!**

To register for the first time:

[Signup for a new account : NSW Premier's Reading Challenge Support \(freshdesk.com\)](https://freshdesk.com)

To log on if you have already registered:

[Sign into : NSW Premier's Reading Challenge Support \(freshdesk.com\)](https://freshdesk.com)

If you have any difficulties registering or logging in, please see me in the library.

The Homework Centre:

The Homework Centre is up and running in the Library each Monday and Thursday from 3.30 pm to 5 pm. There will be ex-Randwick students who are now at university, and an experienced teacher to give assistance across all the subjects.

Once a permission note is signed and returned to the library, students can access the library and its resources for 2023.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: When attending Homework Centre students are expected to stay to at least 4.30pm otherwise they must have permission from a parent/guardian to be able leave before 4.30pm.

The Philosophy Club

The Philosophy Club meets every Thursday lunchtime in the library. Invitation is open to anyone interested in discussing questions like - What is real? What is knowledge? What is ethical? What is art? What is the meaning of life?.....

Google Classroom has interesting material about philosophical matters to get one started thinking about stuff.

The code is r2kktvh

And please try to be prompt returning library books. Keep bringing in overdue books. Thank you to all students (and teachers) who returned overdue books.

Mr Kominos
Teacher-Librarian

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NAPLAN 2023

Year 7 students

All tests will be completed online in periods 1-3 on 16 – 17 March 2023. Students will attend their regular timetabled classes periods 4-6. Catch-up exams are currently scheduled for 22 March.

Students will need to bring a pair of wired (not Bluetooth) headphones/earphones as instructions for some test items are audio. Students are also encouraged to bring a book to read in case they finish before the completion of the exam.

If you require any further information, please contact the NAPLAN coordinator (Mrs Renee Jordan) or the Year Advisor (Ms Tomov).

Year 9 students

All tests will be completed online in periods 1-3 on the 20 – 21 March 2023. Students will attend their regular timetabled classes periods 4-6. Catch-up exams are currently scheduled for 22 March.

Students will need to bring a pair of wired (not Bluetooth) headphones/earphones as instructions for some test items are audio. Students are also encouraged to bring a book to read in case they finish before the completion of the exam.

If you require any further information, please contact the NAPLAN coordinator (Mrs Renee Jordan) or the Year Advisor (Ms Venizelou).

Parents and Carers Consultation on Educational Provisions in the Eastern Suburbs

Parents and carers are invited to one of the following online workshops:

Tuesday 28 March from 7 to 8 pm

Tuesday 4 April from 7 to 8 pm

More information will be provided later.

Parents and carers are also invited to complete an online survey. This survey closes on 12 May.

Current RGHS and RBHS Collaborations

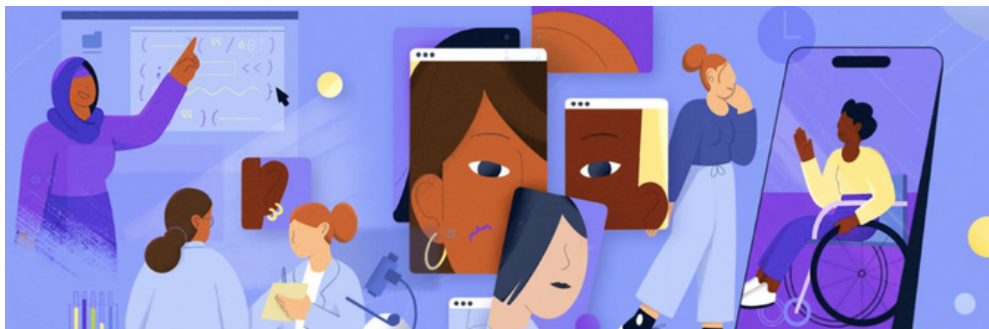
- The School Show: This collaboration brings together hundreds of girls and boys collaborating on a yearly musical production
- Joint Year 11 and 12 Classes, as appropriate: This collaboration enables boys to attend classes at RGHS, and girls at RBHS. For 2023 we have:
 - One Year 11 RGHS student undertaking Engineering Studies at RBHS,
 - Four Year 11 RBHS students undertaking Society and Culture at RGHS,
 - Two Year 12 RBHS students undertaking History Extension at RGHS,
 - One Year 11 RBHS student undertaking Earth and Environmental Science at RGHS
- Welfare related activities, such as White Ribbon Day
- SRC related activities



NEWS



Randwick Girls' High School P&C is a group of parents, carers, staff & community members who work together to provide opportunities for all students at RGHS. We meet on the third Monday of the month during school term at 7pm. We acknowledge and pay respect to the past, present and future Traditional Custodians and Elders of this nation and the continuation of cultural, spiritual and educational practices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



SAVE THE DATES!

- **Tue 14 Mar** Open Night
- **Mon 20 Mar** P&C AGM
- **Tue 21 Mar** Harmony Day
- **Sat 25 Mar** State Election BBQ & Cake Stall
- **Fri 31 Mar** Harmony Day at RGHS
- **Tue 28 Mar & 4 Apr** Consultation Workshop

DONATIONS

RGHS P&C Assoc

BSB: 032-257

A/C: 546443

donations go back into projects for the school



2022 COMMITTEE

Office Bearers

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Secretary: Leanne Bergan

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International Women's Day

It was fantastic to be part of IWD celebrations at RGHS last Wednesday. P&C Secretary Leanne Bergan was a guest speaker along with our State MP for Coogee Dr Marjorie O'Neill. We heard from our leadership teams and a fun highlight was the closing song "Flowers" by Miley Cyrus - it had everyone up singing and dancing!

The theme for 2023 is "Cracking the Code: Innovation for a Gender Equal Future". Learn more: <https://unwomen.org.au/power-on-how-we-can-supercharge-an-equitable-digital-future/>

P&C AGM

Mon 20 Mar

6:30pm | Library



Please join us for the AGM at 6:30pm followed by the General Meeting at 7pm. Mon 20 Mar from 6:30pm in the Library. All welcome!

At the AGM, Treasurer - Venkat Krishnan will present the audited financial reports and we will seek nominations for Office Bearer and Committee positions.

Sign up to our mailing list for Agenda, Minutes and news: <http://eepurl.com/dbYmqD>

P&C NEWS



Education

We have written to the Minister for Education expressing our concerns about the upcoming survey about school choice in the Eastern Suburbs. Randwick Girls & Randwick Boys High Schools are the sole focus of the consultation.

SAVE THE DATE: There are two virtual workshops for parents/carers Tuesday 28 March, Tuesday 4 April both at 7-8 pm

Perfect for Yr 7 & 8!



Randwick Girls' High School P&C


Book PACKS

ONLY \$40!



Our Year 7 Book Packs are the perfect way to get organised for the start of school!


P&C AGM
Mon 20 Mar
6:30pm | Library



Please get in touch if you would like more information about Office Bearer, Committee & sub-Committee positions.
We hope you can join us!

**CELEBRATE
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**WED 1ST
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