



RUTHERGLEN HIGH SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Principal's Report

Course and Subject Selections

This Term, students in Years 9 to 11 will be choosing their courses and subjects for 2020. Clearly the Information Evening to be held on **Wednesday 7th August** will be crucial.

Year 9 students today participated in Careers Education and Coaching for Success sessions designed to get them thinking about their futures and setting ambitious goals. The easiest people to help are those who have ambitions or goals or dreams. What does your child want to do, or be?



This week, we held **Parent-Teacher-Student interviews** focussing on Semester 1 reports and how students can maximise their achievements in Semester 2. It was great to see so many families attending and actively working with the teachers to achieve great outcomes.

However it is extremely disappointing to ask students what their parents thought of their reports and to hear "they haven't seen my report." Reports are available 24/7 online through Compass. Please check them out. If you missed the **Parent-Teacher-Student interviews**, you can still make contact with individual teachers through the relevant Year Level Coordinator:

Year 7	Amanda Steer	Year 10	Peter Jakober
Year 8	Chris Phillpot	Year 11	Lorraine Foster
Year 9	David Janissen	Year 12	Gail Nancarrow

KEY DATE

Wednesday 7th August

SENIOR SCHOOL INFORMATION EVENING

Year 9 into **Year 10 2020**; 6pm

Years 10&11, into **Years 11 & 12 2020**; 7pm



SBS is currently advertising an upcoming show about sexting. While I do not normally recommend TV or movies, the issue of 'sexting' and the impact on individuals and families is certainly relevant to teenagers of today.

2019 Parent Opinion Survey – Rutherglen High School

WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

We are conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our School. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. Our School will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

Approximately 30 per cent of parents will be invited to participate in this year's survey. All responses to the survey are anonymous. This year the Parent Opinion Survey will be conducted from **Monday 22nd July** to **Sunday 11th August**.

The survey will be conducted **online**, only takes **10-15 minutes** to complete, and can be accessed at any convenient time within the fieldwork period on desktop computers, laptops, tablets or smartphones. The online survey will be available in a range of languages other than English. These include: Arabic, Vietnamese, Mandarin, Chin (hakha), Hindi, Japanese, Somali, Turkish, Punjabi and Greek.

The survey results will be reported back to the School at the end of September. Please speak to your child's teacher if you would like more information.

Regards, Phil Rogers

RUTHERGLEN HIGH SCHOOL NEWS & EVENTS



Bob was back!!!

with



workshops!

“ ... knowledge is not power, until YOU DO SOMETHING WITH IT.”

Here is what some of our **Year 10 & 11** students had to say, following the **BRILLIANT ATTITUDE** workshops:

“It changed my mind about what I can and can’t do, and encouraged me to step out of my comfort zone.”

“Interesting that you could literally break through problems!” **[Board breaking session]** – Blake Sullivan

*“Interesting to learn that it’s **YOU who can stop bullies...**”* – Amy Arnold

Different communication styles and reading people in situations

“Safe environment to express myself... I learnt how positive things really are when you change the way you look at them.” – Rose Hymus

*“I now understand **my own learning style** and now have confidence in myself.”* – David Coulthard

*“... getting out of your comfort zone is a good thing... nothing has meaning other than the meaning that **YOU give it.**”*

“Everyone has problems; just as bad [as you], or even worse.” – Darcy Williams

“I learnt things about myself and my mind that confused me in the past.” – Chelsea Weller

“The mind is more powerful than the body.”

*“Watching other students face their own fears was **uplifting and powerful.**”* [Board breaking session] – Kiara Simpson

“This program has made me feel better about myself.” – Erin Huggins

“I found this extremely interesting, as it really made me think about life.” – Jye Taylor

“... that bullies are just afraid of themselves.” – Tamara Warburton

“It was such an inspirational day.” – Dianah Stone

“I was presented with a challenge that I was scared of to begin with, but I completed it! It felt rather good.” – Sarah White.

*“Talking about everyday things we do, and realising **why** we do them was very helpful .”*

“... Looking at the same things, but thinking differently.” “... Learning how to react better [to situations, and problems presented to us.]”

“It felt good; sharing my old secrets.” – Jordan Weir-Smith

“I found my happy place!” – Eden Creamer

“... to listen to yourself.” – Josh Treffers

*“Believe in **yourself** first!.. [Bob is the] **best presenter** we have ever had.”* – Shaylee

<https://www.brilliantattitude.com/>

www.rutherglenhs.vic.edu.au

Use your resources — Keep up-to-date — Stay informed — Access YOUR website regularly!

Student Daily Bulletin—Events Calendar—Student email accounts—Library account—eBooks—World Book Online—Clickview Online—
RHS Careers FaceBook—RHS Instagram—Contact Us

Jeans for Genes Friday 2 August
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INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

The Department of Education and Training (Department) has recently provided all Victorian government schools with access to Minecraft: Education Edition to support transformative teaching and learning.

What is Minecraft: Education Edition?

Minecraft: Education Edition is a rich, open collaboration and learning platform that supports curriculum-based learning while encouraging students to think for themselves and collaborate with peers to transform their learning.



What are the benefits for using Minecraft: Education Edition?

- Builds skills around particular subject such as science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), history, geography or coding.
- Supports students to engage in virtual learning experiences that directly link and expand on the subjects being taught in the classroom.
- Teaches students to be 'digital citizens' through the use of an online system where they need to work together to solve problems.
- Promotes creativity, problem solving and critical thinking.
- Allows students to actively collaborate with their classmates on school work.
- Helps students build working relationships with each other.
- Promotes knowledge sharing as students guide each other on how to perform tasks.
- The Chemistry Update allows students to experiment with chemical reactions safely.
- Portfolios and cameras in Minecraft: Education Edition allows students to provide evidence of their learning for assessment.

How is this different to my child playing Minecraft at home?

- The Education Edition of Minecraft has been specifically created to be used in educational settings. A clear learning objective is required for successful experiences in Minecraft: Education Edition.
- Access to the game is teacher-led with teachers having access to additional functionality that allows them to control the world - including locking down areas and the ability to move student avatars.

How is my child safe while playing Minecraft: Education Edition?

- Access to Minecraft: Education Edition is through the Student's Department username and password.
- The Department has conducted a Privacy Impact Assessment on O 365 which covers usage of Minecraft: Education Edition.
- Outside server access has been completely removed from the game, ensuring that the connections students can make in Minecraft: Education Edition are only with their own class or school.

Where can I find further information?

If you have any concerns, please talk to your school to discuss how they plan to use Minecraft: Education Edition.

The Minecraft: Education Edition FUSE page provides information to support Victorian schools to effectively use Minecraft: Education Edition in their learning and teaching: <https://fuse.education.vic.gov.au/pages/minecrafteducationedition>

SRC



This Term, the **SRC** are going to be supporting **Jeans for Genes** day which is Friday 2nd August so make sure you come dress in your Jeans and bring a long a gold coin.

We will also be selling hot chocolates on Thursday for \$1 and the money raised will go to Food Share, which helps us out for our Breakfast club.

Also we will be running Breakfast club Tuesday and Friday so drop in and see us in the kitchen.

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JOIN our RHS VEX team — Enter the 2019 COMPETITION . !



Have fun while building on your STEM skills, and WINNING BIG!

WE CAN BUILD IT with VEX, the exciting robotics platform.

Can we make it all the way to Adelaide South Australia? Join us TODAY!!

Contact Harrison Holmes (Year 9), at school or harrison.holmes@rutherglenhs.vic.edu.au



THE VICTORIAN STATE SCHOOLS
SPECTACULAR
MADE OF STARS SAT 14 SEP
MELBOURNE ARENA

On Friday 14th June we had our third rehearsal, with choreographer Deon Nuku. We learned two new dances as well as polished our other 5 dances. We have only one more rehearsal with the choreographers at the start of August, before our trip down to Melbourne in September.

Once again, Deon commented on how well our girls listened, worked and performed on the day. They have put an incredible amount of time and effort into learning and perfecting their dances and come September, I have no doubt they will shine!

Our State Schools Spectacular girls will be performing at our School Variety Night on Thursday 15th August so if you can't make it down to the show in Melbourne, be sure to come and support the girls and our other talented students at our Variety Night.



EAT TO LEARN
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School Breakfast Program

When: Tuesday and Friday

Where: The Vine Restaurant

Time: 8:15 – 8:45am

Menu

Toasted Sandwiches, Toast, Cereal, Milo, Tea and Fruit

(Once a month we will have a special eg: bacon and egg roll, pancakes)



Proudly supporting

Cancer Council



STAFF FUNDRAISER

Our annual Staff 'Biggest morning tea' raised an amazing \$1005.!! This year, our fundraising will go to the Albury/Wodonga Regional Cancer Centre Trust.

The Trust plays an important ongoing role in the provision of cancer services in our area. It is important that people in our community have been able to utilise services close to home.

Thank you so much RHS staff, for providing the morning tea, auction items, and raffle prizes which contributed to a wonderful total. **Thank you! Education Support Staff, RHS.**

The Hunting

Educational Resources



[sbs.com.au/learn/the-hunting](https://www.sbs.com.au/learn/the-hunting)

Watch: The Hunting

NEW AUSTRALIAN DRAMA

An intense and compelling exploration of the impact of a teen nude photo scandal upon four teenagers, their teachers and families.

Premieres 1 August at 8.30pm on SBS and SBS On Demand.

Talk to staff at the school if you have any concerns about your child's wellbeing. There are also many online resources families can access 24 hours a day.



Will your online posts pass the Nanna test?

esafety.gov.au

YOUNG & eSAFE

parentline.vic.gov.au 13 22 89 (cost of local call) 8am to midnight, 7 days

parentline.org.au 1300 1300 52 (cost of local call) 24 hours a day, 7 days



Welcome to Inside a Dog

Inside a Dog - a place for bookish teens

Welcome to Inside a Dog. If you are aged 12-18 you can sign up to enter competitions, publish your own creative work, meet other avid readers, contribute book reviews, find book recommendations and so much more! Need some pointers to get started? Check out our help section.

HELP 



Rutherglen High School presents...

BREAKING FREE

THURSDAY 15TH AUGUST

Rutherglen Memorial Hall

7PM START

Adult \$10 Child \$5

Family \$25

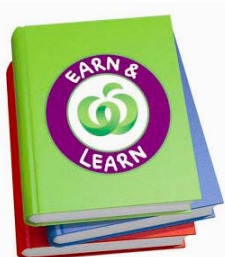
TICKETS AVAILABLE AT RHS OFFICE

(02) 60 329 483

Jeans for Genes

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A big **thank you** to all our families, their friends and the community for supporting our collection of **earn and learn** stickers. We are currently in the process of choosing what to buy with the points earned

**VET Hospitality—
host Xmas in July**

for our local Senior Citizens

