Redcliffe Rugby League Excellence... wins place in finals!

The Redcliffe High Senior Rugby League team have finished their competition fixtures in the Gee Shield undefeated, beating Mountain Creek 28-16. This is the best result the senior team has had for a number of years, and the entire team should be very proud. They displayed outstanding enthusiasm, commitment and great defence during the competition.

There were some strong individual performances from Ryan Tessmer, Jack French, Blake Edwards and TeArahi Wihongi. The boys played great attacking football, scoring some brilliant team tries.

The Senior team has now qualified for the finals of the National School Boy competition the GLO Cup against St Peter Claver on the 16 July at Dolphin Oval, make sure you are there!

Dolphin Oval- 16 July 2014
- 3.30pm Yr 10 v Ipswich SH
- 4.30pm Opens v St Peter Claver

Mick Roberts- HPE Dept & R.L Program
Director R.S.H.S

Remarkable Redcliffe High ... the IDEAL CHOICE!
During Term 2, our Year 9 Visual Art Program of Excellence students had the unique opportunity to work with our artists in residence group, Carte Blanche. The eleven female members, in consultation with art teacher, Justin Kramer, worked with students to design, fabricate and install a temporary exhibition at Deception Bay foreshore on Sunday the 22nd June from 10am to 3pm.

Titled Between the Tides, this temporary art installation event featured pieces made by our students alongside local creatives. Arriving at 8:00 am, the artworks were strategically installed as the tide was leaving the beach. Visitors to the event were able to view all thirteen separate student art installations along the shoreline before the exhibition was dismantled and removed just prior to the incoming afternoon tide.

Carte Blanche member Sarah Coveney, identifies that Between the Tides started about 12 years ago in Auckland Westmere Beach and is a one-day event. The event Between the Tides was launched here last year however, this year is the first time that Redcliffe State High School students have participated.

The Year 9 students within the Visual Art Program of Excellence learnt about ephemeral art and the visual language needed to construct an effective design. Each Wednesday morning the artists visited and supported the students with their techniques, processes and ideas.

When asked about their experiences, student Talisha Tough, stated that she most enjoyed “trying all the different kinds of art and seeing how many different things you can make from recycled products.” The wooden parquetry floor from our old hall featured in some of the works. Daniel Culpin used pieces of the flooring to design three unique one metre high ziggurat towers.

Rarely do visual art students work collaboratively on art projects, however this was a treat and highlight for Louise Crompton who worked with fellow students Carmela Manson and Finlay Volker on a piece called Consuming Our Seas. Stretching seven metres, the three students explored issues about ecology, over fishing and sustainability. Working with others and our visiting artists was a great opportunity to learn. Carmela said she really enjoyed “their insight and advice”.

Lastly, thank you to the Year 9 Art Program of Excellence students, the artists of Carte Blanche for volunteering their time, knowledge and efforts, and lastly to the Year 9 Art teacher, Mr. Kramer.
REDCLIFFE HIGH ....

The Ideal Choice

- High Expectations
- High Standards
- Traditional Values
- Outstanding outcomes
- 93% of eligible students received an OP 1 to 15 in 2013

Having two large campuses with 12 new learning spaces added this year, we have ample room for an enrolment of 240 year 7s in addition to our usual 240 year 8s.

Enrolment applications welcome from outside our catchment.

ENROL NOW!

2015 Enrolments:

Year 7 2015 OPEN NOW

Year 8 2015 from 14 July 2014

Please call our Enrolment Officer on 3897 1111 with any questions.
New uniforms are coming ....

2015 will see our Senior school with a new formal top and the whole school with a new sports uniform polo shirt!

The Parents and Citizens Association, Uniform Committee in conjunction with the Admin team, has been working on creating a distinct identity for our new Junior Secondary school. Part of this has been the development of a new uniform structure.

Commencing in 2015 Years 7, 8 and 9 (Junior School) and Years 10, 11 and 12 (Senior school) will have distinctly different shirts for the formal uniform.

To facilitate this change we will introduce the new uniform over a period of three years.

In 2015 the Year 7 and 8 students will be the first to wear our new sports polo and the Year 10, 11 and 12s will have the option to wear the new formal top.

In addition, after many student and parent requests we are pleased to offer (as an optional extra for the formal uniform), a personal blazer for students. The blazers, available for all year levels, will cost $140 and may be purchased with a deposit of $50 and payment in full before delivery.

The P&C are looking forward to 2015 as we introduce our new look, which we are certain will be popular with both students and parents.

P&C Uniform Committee - RS&H

As a part of our end-of-term assessment, students were asked to write a pen pal letter to our sister school in Japan. Since we strive for authenticity in our assessment tasks, writing a real letter provided students with the opportunity to make a new friend in Japan and hopefully receive a reply in the coming months.

I’d like to thank the Year 8s for their hard work and good behaviour during this exam period: they’ve shown themselves to be motivated and open to the idea that the world is full of possibilities!

Ms Karen Townsend
LOTETeacher RS&H
Year 9 Drama Excellence
CLOWNING PERFORMANCES
QUT - Explore Uni Day ....

A group of our Year 10 students recently attended Queensland University of Technology (QUT) for an all day excursion called ‘Explore Uni’. Students spent a day on campus where they were hosted by current university students, and had the opportunity to learn about life as a university student, explore the campus and participate in interactive workshops. Every student received a bag with information to take home and Subway for lunch. These excursions are paid for by QUT as part of our school’s partnership with the university to help students think about their future options.

Did you know that most universities have support programs to help people get in and give them a boost if they’ve experienced tough times or haven’t got much money? If you want to know more, there’s a website with heaps of information for parents and carers visit http://www.qut.edu.au/study/undergraduate-study/are-you-the-parent-of-a-school-student and you can even ask questions if you want.

QUT’s Your Future Careers Team can also provide free workshops and individual assistance to support your child’s, or your own, career decisions. All advice is free, impartial and confidential to anyone from the Moreton Bay region considering any sort of future study - either TAFE or University. Phone 5316 7666 or email yourfuture@qut.edu.au to find out more.

Ms Dani-elle Mahoney & Ms Amira Hamzic
This night is a MUST for all 2014 Yr. 10 students & parents.

- 5:00–5:55pm
talk to HODS & key teachers
- 6:00pm
information session about the SET Plan process in the BIRD’S NEST theatre (Western Campus).

SENIOR SUBJECT EXPO
FOR STUDENTS STARTING Year 11 in 2015

24 July 2014
5:00 to 6:30pm
In the GYM (Western Campus)

This evening provides an opportunity for parents to ask questions regarding subjects for selection in the SET Plan process. Subject Heads of Department and key teachers will be available to assist you and your student.
Term 2 and all of the associated assessment is all but behind us. Teachers are marking student work and writing report cards, it is a very busy time for them. Even though the last week of term is coming up we expect all students (except Seniors on Block Exams) to be in full attendance up to and including Friday this week.

**Soaring: Enrolments and Year 7 facility**

Construction of our brand new Year 7 facility is well underway and on schedule for completion in November. I am sure when you have been driving past the site you may have been wondering if anything was happening behind the fencing. As the building begins to emerge above the fencing the community can see that what is occurring. I have included the Architects impression of the building so you can see what the finished product will look like. Our new Year 7 students will certainly have an awesome building to move in to – match that with an excellent curriculum and quality teachers and you have a recipe for a positive educational experience in our remarkable school.

**Above: SABER Lunch**

The Year 11 Hospitality students spoilt a small group of staff this week in our SABER Lunch. The SABER Lunch is an opportunity for the hospitality students to plan, cater and deliver a hospitality function – it is linked to their assessment. It is also an opportunity to provide staff with recognition of their SABER efforts. Thank you to the hospitality students and their teacher Ms Danni-Elle Mahoney. Lunch was remarkable!

**Beyond: Teaching and Learning Audit Report**

In a previous newsletter I advised that we had received excellent outcomes in our recent Teaching and Learning Audit. Three Principals (external to our school) audited what we do at Redcliffe SHS. They rated us as High and Outstanding in all areas. This is an excellent report. We will be publishing the ‘executive summary’ on the website in the near future.

**Expectations: School Activities**

I have sent an online survey link to parents of Year 8, 9,10 and 11 students. The survey is about the Senior Formal and our expectations around the formal. This survey only refers to the Senior formal as this is when students and parents become very emotional about engaging in extra curricula activities organised by the school.

It is timely to remind parents and students that extra curricula activities are things the school chooses to do to enrich the lives of students. They may enhance the curriculum but they are not essential to the curriculum. As such they are not compulsory and indeed we can put expectations around student participation.

In our school it is an expectation that school fees have been paid prior to any fees associated with involvement in extra curricula activities.

**Redcliffe: School Jumpers**

A few students have been coming to school in non uniform jumpers, students have been asked to remove them and have been advised to go to the uniform shop. Students must wear full school uniform – including jumpers.

Thank you

_Shana McKinlay_
Principal
Remarkable Redcliffe High
Soaring Above and Beyond Expectations @ Redcliffe
School Watch is a community based awareness and crime prevention program aimed at safeguarding schools against vandalism, theft and arson. We depend on students, parents and all members of the local community to:

1. LOOK
2. LISTEN and
3. REPORT

📞 13 1788
or phone your local police

DO NOT take any further action.