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BOARDING

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FROM THE **DIRECTOR OF BOARDING**

Dear College Community

I would firstly like to welcome everyone back to Duggan House for an exciting year ahead, in particular to our new students who are living away from the comforts of home for the first time. I have been extremely impressed with the start to our year, many thanks to our year 12 boys who made the effort to call and welcome our new starters for 2016.

I would also like to officially welcome our new Deputy Director of Boarding, Mr. David Walker, David has made a huge impression on both fellow staff and students, we wish David all the best in his new role here at Rostrevor.

This year is the "year of spirit" within Rostrevor, by including ourselves and encouraging others I'm sure our spirit will develop quickly and provide many opportunities for our young men. We are already part of a great tradition, many students are showing a passion for more success which is fantastic news. Leadership opportunities are endless in this environment, hopefully our new leaders within boarding flourish in their new roles and enjoy their final year in style.

Our first week was pretty special, with some excellent leadership skills displayed. The first "lock-in" weekend saw us watch a movie in the Kelty Theatre on Friday night, Saturday we ventured down to the Glenelg foreshore, this provided the boys with some free time to relax and find their feet amongst a new body of friends. Saturday night was spent getting to know each other in a little more detail. Students selected a "Buddy out of the hat" and spent a few minutes finding out as much as possible about each other. Well done to all for getting into the spirit. On Sunday Mr Walker organised some fun games in the dining room before lunch, this went down well with all. After Lunch we spent some time in the swimming pool with a challenge between houses.....won by the boys from Gurr House. The remainder of the afternoon was spent flying down a 22metre Waterslide, this was a sensational way to finish our weekend.

February 12th our Year 7-10 boys ventured down to Pembroke for a pool party, this also included some drinks and light snacks, plus the boys got to strut their stuff on the lawn with the girls.

Many thanks to our Exeat families for the care and support of our boys over the Easter holiday period, this is greatly appreciated.

To our Year 10 students who participated in the Leadership Camp at Victor Harbor, much fun was had during the weekend, I'm sure the students learnt many aspects about leadership and will certainly benefit from having some free time away with each other. This shared time in a relaxed environment was certainly appreciated by the boys. A great experience for all.

A big thank you also to David Walker for setting up our new "leave trial" with Boarding Ware, we hope you have enjoyed this new communication hub. The software is very user friendly and our aim is for it to be a vital tool for both parents and staff. We have already had great feedback from your sons during the trial.

In closing, I would like to thank everyone for contributing to the positive start to our year, making new boys feel welcome, taking time to assess each other and generally keeping an eye out for any problems. This care and genuine back-up is essential for everyone to feel comfortable in our home away from home.

God Bless,

Eugene Evans

Director of Boarding



HEAD BOARDER



Guy Hutchinson
Head Boarder

Upon returning to school, the Rostrevor Boarders have an expectation to remain in the boarding house for the opening weekend, in order to form life long friendships and sustain beneficial relationships. This weekend is simply powered by the Rostrevor Boarding staff, along with year 12's as a get to know each other weekend in which the boys watched movies, adventured into the suburbs of Adelaide and played team games to build relationships.

On Friday night the year 12 leadership team organised a movie night in the Kelty Theatre. The movie presented was named "Remember the Titans", an old time classic which was nominated by the entire cohort. It was excellent to see the whole boarding house together, bonding as one and sharing each others company to watch an enjoyable movie.

Saturday bought about a new day and the young men embarked on a long bus ride to Glenelg, departing at an early 10:30am. The boys had an eventful day, participating in a range of activities including, swimming, jetty jumping, beach cricket, shopping along Jetty Road, mini golf and many more. It was great to see the excitement on the new boarders faces as they experienced the new scenery of Glenelg and made many new friendships, and as young Jack Williams quoted "this is the best ever". We returned to Rostrevor College around 4:30pm, with many sunburnt faces and exhausted looks. To fulfil an eventful day, the entire cohort participated in a game called 'get to know you'. This consisted of new boarders being paired with old boarders in order to get to know someone new. The challenge was to then present your buddy to the whole boarding house and tell them some interesting information about your pair.

Sunday morning was blessed with a sleep-in before a wake up call of 10:30 am and games starting at 11. First we played a mini Olympics series in the dinning room, in which students formed small teams and participated in activities including, who could blow up a balloon the fastest, who could eat a weet-bix the fastest and a range of trivial games. We took a short break for lunch, then we hit the pool. In this time students formed small teams in their respective

Sporting House groups in order to undertake a race in the pool. Gurr house claimed victory over Murphy, along with third place being awarded to Barron/Webb. To end an adventurous and terrific weekend, the Boarding House staff put together a long water slide on the oval for boys to have fun on.

Overall it was an eventful weekend with many laughs and fun times. The implementation of a buddy system allowed everyone to get to know each other, as well as forming new friendships and life long relationships. A large thanks goes out to all that helped out on the weekend, including Boarding House staff and the year 12 leadership team.

Another initiative run by the College Community was Boarders' Week. The aim of the event is to recognise the contribution that boarders have within the College Community, and to laud and learn about their respective origins. It was a week that day boys had the opportunity to socialise and welcome new boarders that were unfamiliar to our Morialta municipal. Boarders play a pivotal role in the success of Rostrevor College both academically and through co-curricular, and certainly from a boarder's perspective, "We are the heart and soul of Rossi boys."

Boarders' Week endeavoured to focus on the native homelands from which we each hail. Each day of the week focused on a specific region

of origin, which was showcased in the Valley. Boarders were required to give a brief summary of themselves and provide a brief illustration of their home town.

Monday focused on the South-East region of South Australia, while Tuesday and Wednesday focused on both the Yorke and Eyre Peninsulas. Uniquely, Rostrevor Boarding is the schooling destination for many indigenous students, which diversifies us from many other Boarding schools in the state. This allows boarders at Rostrevor to live within a diverse cultural environment and socialise with men that they may not particularly mix with elsewhere. Therefore, Thursday's regional focus was the Northern Territory, home to many of our indigenous lads.

Friday marked the closure of Boarders' Week, however this not without a celebration. Boarders' Week was commended with a country themed barbeque in the Valley which associated the whole Rostrevor Community. Included in this event was country music, a good old, "sausage on the barbey with bread and sauce" and a country motif complete with hay bales and goats roaming the transformed Valley. Conclusively, Boarders' Week successfully accomplished its primary intentions, setting an exciting precedent for an annual week of inclusivity and connectedness.

Guy Hutchinson



FIRST WEEK BACK



Max McKay
Year 10

to the Kelty for a movie night were we watched 'Remember the Titans' this was very good and everyone enjoyed the movie and night. On Saturday at about 10:00am we all went down to Glenelg for a day at the beach and also to go to the shops down there. This was a great experience for the boys because it is a really big change of scenery. We spent the whole day at Glenelg and headed back to the boarding house at about 4:00. On the bus ride back to the boarding house we had the pleasure to see a flash Lamborghini that was parked on the side of the road which we all enjoyed. On Saturday night we got partnered up with random people that were pulled out of a hat. We had to go away with our buddy and get to know them then we had to impersonate them

in front of the boys. This was a great chance for everyone to get to know people a lot better and know some basic things about them. On Sunday we played a lot of team games including dress ups, a quiz, the Weetbix challenge, and also a relay in the pool. The highlight of Sunday and weekend would have to have been the 20m water slide that we had on the oval, everyone got involved and loved it. The weekend was a huge success as I'm now able to put names to faces and have met some great new people.

Max Mckay

The first weekend of term is known as a lock in. This is where you are not able to leave the boarding house unless an important event is on. During this time we participated in activities allowing new boarders to get to know others new and old. On Friday night we all headed over



Photos

- 1- The 20m Slide running down onto the main oval
- 2 - Nathan Grant has his turn on the slide
- 3 - Sam Snowball faces up undoubtedly readying himself for a big Co-Cirricular year
- 4 - 2016 Rostrevor College Boarding Group

NOTICES

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 2

May 02 - Boarders' Return and Parent Teacher Student Interviews

May 05 - Edmund Rice Day

May 08 - Mothers' Day

May 10 - 12 NAPLAN testing yrs 7@-9

May 20 - 22 Boarders' Exeat

May 27 - June 05 National Reconciliation Week

June 01 - Boarders' High Tea

June - Loreto Mass TBA

June 10-13 Boarders' Exeat - Queen's Birthday

June 15-17 Yr 9 Camp

June 20-24 Yr 10 @ 11 Exams

June 28 - July 01 Service Learning yr 11 Pathways to Post Secondary yr 10

July 08 - Term 2 Concludes

EXEAT WEEKENDS

Parents Please Note: We would appreciate students being returned by 6pm on the Sunday/Monday night (long weekends) after an exeat, as our kitchen is now supplying dinner for your son. Please ensure your leave form is filled out with a return time for our catering staff.

PROPERTY/PERSONAL ITEMS

Please ensure your son has equipment/personal items clearly marked with names on each item to ensure they do not get misplaced.

CLOTHING/LAUNDRY

In an effort to reduce missing items from our laundry please ensure all clothing is clearly marked. Please check your son has a laundry basket.

FOOTY TIPS

A reminder to all boys to keep their footy tips up to date over the Holidays.

WINTER COCURRICULAR

Could you please ensure your son has the appropriate equipment for Winter sports programs e.g. mouth guards, shin pads etc,

PARENT TEACHER STUDENT INTERVIEWS

Monday 2 May 2.00-5.00pm (College Pavilion)

Parents will by now have received information regarding the process for booking appointments. We understand that it is not always possible for boarding families to attend. In such cases, please feel free to contact subject teachers either via phone or email to arrange a mutually convenient time for a telephone discussion, or alternatively, to arrange feedback via email.

WEEKEND LEAVE

Reminder that all leave forms are to be in by Wednesday night.

When taking leave on Fridays and Saturdays students must return by the times listed below.

- Years 7-10: 8.30pm
- Year 11: 9.30pm
- Year 12: 10.30pm

CONTACT DETAILS

Have you changed your contact details recently?

If so don't forget to notify the College to ensure we are able to reach you.

Please call 8364 8371 or email contactdetails@rosvor.sa.edu.au to notify us of any changes.

TERM DATES 2016

Term 2

Tuesday 3rd May - Friday 8th July
Queen's Birthday/Volunteers' Day
Holiday 13th June

Term 3

Tuesday 26th July - Friday 30th September
Labour Day Holiday 3rd October

Term 4

Tuesday 18th October - Friday 9th December

Uniform Shop

Term 1 Holiday Opening Hours

Thursday 28 and Friday 29 April
9:00am to 5:00pm

Monday 02 May - 12:00pm to 6:00pm
(Boarders Only)

Appointments can be made for fittings, by phoning 8364 8383 or email rosvorcanteen@spotless.com.au

Please note there will be some 2nd hand uniforms available for sale each day. All uniforms are in good condition and reasonably priced.

FIELD DAYS

Eyre Peninsula (Cleve)

Tuesday 09 - Thursday 11 August

Riverland

Friday 16 - Saturday 17 September



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