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RULE OF BENEDICT

**You are not to act in anger or nurse a grudge.
Rid your heart of all deceit.**
(4.22-24)

Dear parents, students and friends of Rosebank,
What wonderful news! We have now had to create a waiting list for 2009 and are in the process of enrolling for Yr 7 2010 and 2011. The response from the community has been overwhelming and we are excited about commencing our first Yr 7 co-educational classes next year.

One of the great privileges of my role at Rosebank is to have the opportunity to interview so many families. During the 150 interviews over the past few months, I have come to appreciate many aspects of the families we serve. You are humble folk of tremendous good will. You are not pretentious. You work hard for what you have and you are fully committed to your children. Without any manual, you have taken up the challenge of parenting and have 'done good'.

You have formed them in the womb, you have co-created a new human being. You have invested much time and resources in your family and want the best for your children without being domineering or controlling. Your pride in their growth and development is obvious. Well done to our Mums and Dads who form part of the heart and soul of the College.

Another insight that I have gleaned from these interviews is the drive of nature for diversity. I see this in my own family as well: children who derive from the same genetic pool, yet are so different (we might say like "chalk and cheese"). Nature demands diversity: embraces diversity; is designed to create diversity. No matter how hard we humans try to make things look the same (fashion, genetic engineering, monoculture etc), nature always produces diversity.

I see this embracing of diversity very active among our students and staff. For example, the inclusion and appreciation of people from various faith traditions, the range of intellectual and physical capabilities among those who belong to Rosebank, the welcoming of difference as new students join the community, and so on.

So I pay tribute to this gift of hospitality; the welcoming of the "other"; the rejection of fear of the unknown and of difference; and the courageous acceptance of all, no matter what race, creed or colour. Well done, Rosebank and may God continue to bless us with wisdom and patience.

Tom Galea
Principal



Up-Dates from the Co-ordinator of Mission

The spiritual life of Rosebank College continues to be truly alive and active in this time of Pentecost.

Corpus Christi

This weekend marks the Feast of Corpus Christi (the Latin title for “The Body and Blood of Christ”). This significant feast reminds us that, at the core of our worship of God and the essence of our unity, is the Eucharist—Jesus Christ truly present in the form of bread and wine. Our prayer this week at Rosebank College is that we may always be people of thanks (the word “eucharist” originates from the Greek word for “thanksgiving”). Lord Jesus, for all that has been, we say “Thanks”; for all that is to come, we say “Yes”. Amen.

A Walk with Christ

On Sunday 25 May Catholics will come together for the Annual Procession of the Blessed Sacrament to mark the Feast of Corpus Christi. This procession will begin at 2.30pm from St Patrick’s Church Hill, Wynyard and make its way through the streets of Sydney to St Mary’s Cathedral.

World Youth Day

At the time of writing this notice, there are only 54 days to go before World Youth Day festivities commence in Sydney! The CEO is launching this weekend a final push for those wishing to attend WYD activities to register online. Registration is essential to help WYD organisers to make the necessary arrangements so that all runs as smoothly as possible. Part of this organisation is the Volunteer Program and the Homestay Program. Further information may be obtained from Stephen Mahoney on 9558 8473 at CEO Leichhardt.

National Reconciliation Week

Each year, the 26th of May has been designated as “Sorry Day.” On 13 February this year, history was made when the Prime Minister, Mr Kevin Rudd, on behalf of the Australian Parliament and People, offered the long awaited Apology to the Indigenous Peoples of Australia. Consequently, 26 May now marks the start of “National Reconciliation Week.” The Apology having been offered, the next phase now is true and ongoing reconciliation. To mark this process of reconciliation, the Rosebank community will gather together on Monday 26 May to reflect upon the importance of the Apology and to mark the way forward. The Social Justice Service Group leaders and the Liturgy Service Group leaders have prepared a meaningful and inspiring assembly to mark the occasion.

Angelo Gattone

Co-ordinator of Mission

Dates for the Diary

23 May	CSDA Round 4
26-30 May	Yr 9 & 10 Assessment
26 May	Yr 11 & 12 Drama excursion
	Sorry Day
29 May	Science Competition
30 May	CGSSSA Cross County
	CSDA Debating
2 June	Vaccinations
3 June	Da Vinci Decathlon (Yr 7 & 8)
	Yr 12 THOB prac
6 June	Open Day day in lieu

Year 9 News

It is with pleasure that I announce the Term 1, Year 9 School Community Service Awards. The recipients are: Rebecca Katrib, Mareta Akari, Elena Canalicchio, Annette Slosu, Maree Sorbara and Priscilla Nassif.

Mareta is the winner of the “Ask Not What Rosebank Can Do for You, Ask What You Can Do for Rosebank” award for Term 1 for her outstanding commitment to extra-curricular activities. We congratulate all of the girls for their willingness to volunteer and contribute to the Benedictine values of Rosebank College. May I also congratulate the young ladies of Year 9 (and of course their parents/carers) who always wear their uniform with pride. You are a credit to the College.

Rhonda Goodenough, Year 9 Co-ordinator



Year 9 School Community Service Awards recipients

Environment Service Group Update

Some exciting news from our service group!!!

Mr Galea has invited the Environment Service Group to present their ideas and suggestions to the architects of the school extensions. The group members have been busy over the past two meetings discussing innovations. Words such as “passive”, “active spaces” and “underground rain water tanks” have been flying through the air!!! Our group leaders Eliza Berlage and Olivia Chylinska are going to represent us at the meeting in three weeks’ time. We would like to thank Mr Galea for the opportunity to present the ideas of the group and invite all students to come to our meetings and contribute your ideas.

The Environment Service Group

Green is the new Black!



Environmental Service Group

Co-curricular Report

It has been a busy start to Term 2 for co-curricular events. Over the past few weeks our students have started their Term 2 competitions, played in the CGSSSA Touch and Basketball championships, as well as resuming Saturday Netball and Friday night Futsal competitions. And it's only week 4!

MCCS Water Polo Plate Champions!

At the end of last term our Opens Water Polo side defended their Plate champions title for the second year in a row. After just failing to make the championship round our girls had a resounding win, defeating Catherine Macauley, Westmead 9 – 5. This is an outstanding achievement for our girls, who entered this year's competition without many of their experienced senior players. Special mention must be made of Katrina Dade who scored 5 of the goals in the Grand Final – an unbelievable achievement. At the conclusion of the final series a representative side was chosen and three of our students were selected to be members of this team. Congratulations to Katee Turner, Cassandra Gow and Ashlee Cairns on their selections for the MCCS Water Polo Merit side.

CGSSSA Touch

On 7 May, 25 of our students headed out to Parramatta to take part in the CGSSSA Touch championships. In what was a very tough day of competition, our girls took part in some close games, however were unable to make the semi finals. Congratulations to all the girls involved in the day.

CGSSSA Basketball – Runners Up

1. Lydia Rizzi
2. Rochelle Ross
3. Samantha Bennallack
4. Lily Lehmann
5. Codie Berg-Salem
6. Melaia Mahe
7. Lieti Foketi
8. Christina Jackson
9. Kesaia Takau

CGSSSA Basketball – Seniors Runners Up!

Wednesday 21 May saw 3 teams representing Rosebank head off to the CGSSSA Basketball championships. Our junior team (7 & 8) performed strongly on the day, only losing 1 game throughout their pool, however this was enough to see them miss out on the semi finals. Strong performances from Arianna Rizzi, as well as Tina and Ana Sio, showed many in the crowd that Rosebank will be tough to beat in the upcoming MCCS season.

In the intermediate division our girls enjoyed a fun filled day, however were unable to come away with the points. A big thanks to all the girls who got out there and put in throughout the day. In the senior division our girls performed one of the biggest turnarounds in Rosebank history to break through and take the Runners Up prize in Division 2. After struggling in last year's competition, the team made up of solely Year 12 students, blitzed all comers on the day, before narrowly going down by 3 in the Grand Final.

In what can only be described as an all round team effort, special mention must be made to Lydia Rizzi and Rochelle Ross, who held the team together throughout the day.

CBSA Soccer

Our senior boys' soccer side has started the season strongly, with one narrow loss and a victory. In what has been an impressive side our Year 12 students have taken a more serious approach to the season, determined to give it all in their final CBSA season. Good luck for the upcoming weeks boys!

MCCS Water Polo – Plate Champions!

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| 1. Georgia Nelson | 8. Katee Turner |
| 2. Avalon Turner | 9. Hannah Scanlon |
| 3. Emma King | 10. Caitlin Wilson |
| 4. Katrina Dade | 11. Ashlee Cairns |
| 5. Vanessa Wilson | 12. Sarah Childs |
| 6. Cassandra Gow | 13. Alison Casey |
| 7. Caitlin Lamont | |



Rosebank College CGSSSA Basketball Runners Up

Front Row (left to right):

Lydia Rizzi, Lillian Lehmann, Melaia Mahe, Samantha Bennallack, Codie Berg-Salem, Christina Jackson

Back Row (left to right):

Ms Corcoran, Rochelle Ross, Kesaia Takau, Lieti Foketi

Creative Arts @ Rosebank

A Night Out with "ANTIGONE"

On the 7th of May, the Year 12 Drama class went on their third exciting night excursion to Belvoir Theatre to watch an adapted version of the Ancient Greek play "Antigone" by Sophocles.

Beforehand, Mrs. Taubert, Cassie, Crestina and Chantell went out for a meal at a small pizza place down the road from the theatre.

The performance of "Antigone" whilst not receiving great reviews presented an easily accessible, minimalistic version of the classic Greek tragedy. Director Chris Kohn brought the text into the realm of contemporary by creating a set resembling a community hall with a diverse range of modernised costumes.

Deborah Mailman played the lead role with an outstanding performance of the damned girl who matyrs herself for justice. We had the privilege of meeting her at the conclusion of the performance and overall an enjoyable night was had by all! "Death of a Salesman"

On our next Drama excursion, Year 11 will be joining us to see the classic performance of "Death of a Salesman" by Arthur Miller at the Seymour Centre on the 26th of May.

Crestina and Cassie, Year 12 Drama

Instrumental Lessons @ Rosebank College

Instrumental lessons are going very well and I commend the students for the way they are organising themselves and getting to their lessons on time.

A couple of reminders:

1. If you can't come to your instrumental lesson you must contact your teacher at least 24 hours before your lesson so that a new time can be scheduled.
2. Don't forget to have your diary signed by your instrumental teacher with the lesson time of your next lesson so that you can show your class teacher where you are going.
3. You are expected to practise regularly for each lesson and come prepared with your instrument and music.

All accounts for instrumental lessons for Term 2 should now have been paid directly to individual teachers.

Congratulations

Congratulations to the **Jazz Ensemble** who played in the College assembly on 7 May. You really helped the assembly get off to flying start and your music making was well received by both the students and staff.

Congratulations also to the **College Chamber Choir** who ably led the singing for the Mothers' Day Mass on 8 May. You performed professionally and with focus and your efforts were much appreciated. The reflection music provided by Shoko Iwanaga on the keyboard also added a special feel to the Mass.

Year 7, 2009 Enrolments are now closed

We are now taking enrolments for 2010 and 2011 with a waiting list for 2009 places.

Winter Blouses in Stock!

**Lowes Burwood Plaza
now has junior girls' winter blouses in stock**

From the Fundraising Group

Last Friday Rosebank College held a mufti day in an effort to raise funds for the unfortunate victims of Cyclone Nargis in Burma. So far, only two weeks after the cyclone struck the nation, the death toll has already risen to 133,000 while countless people have been left homeless. There is a desperate need in Burma for food, clean water, medicines and other necessities as these things and their infrastructure have been destroyed. Rosebank wants to do whatever we can to help. Our fundraising efforts for mufti on Friday resulted in funds of \$1139.45 which is well over the anticipated amount. Well done, Rosebank.

Year 7s show us how its done...

A special congratulations is in order to the youngest members of our community. Well done, Ms Dix's homeroom, 7S. This homeroom comprising of only 15 girls was only supposed to donate \$30. However out of the kindness of their hearts, these girls raised an amazing \$101.

A reminder that this Sunday is the **Red Shield Appeal**. Over 100 students have volunteered for this cause and will be out collecting donations. Please give generously.

Resham Khan and Allanah Giutari, Year 12

Volunteers Needed for BookRoom

The BookRoom at Rosebank College is seeking volunteers to assist in covering new text books and mending used ones.

This is an excellent service that benefits all students.

All help will be welcome.

If you can help, please contact Carol Benfield on 9713 3107.

HSC Talks

The City of Canada Bay Library Service invites HSC students to attend these FREE lectures.

**Journeys, Tuesday 27 May 6pm-7pm
Concord Library 9911 6210.**

Presented by Lyndall Hough BA MA (Writing).

**Studies of Religion – Foundation Studies
Tuesday 3 June 6pm-7pm.**

Five Dock Library 9911 6310

Presented by Patricia Hayward

Pizza served at 5.30pm. Contact the Library hosting the talk to secure your place



Shoko Iwanaga

See Ms. McAloon or log on to www.careercentral.com.au

UTS Accounting Co-op Scholarship The application deadline is 11 June! Any student who is considering studying Business or Commerce at uni should consider the BAcc course, which offers a \$40,000 tax free scholarship, 11 months of full time work training, a 100% graduate employment rate, and a great uni social life to boot. For more info contact Carin Alberts on 95143579; Carin.Alberts@uts.edu.au or check out www.bachelorofaccounting.com.

UNSW Co-op Scholarahip Program

Applications close 30 September. Students interested in Business, Science or Engineering degrees who expect a UAI above 90 should consider applying for this tax free scholarship of \$15000 per annum, including structured industrial training and work experience with up to four different sponsor companies. Students can apply online www.co-op.unsw.edu.au

Get into HSC Enrichment 2008 Designed to assist Year 12 students in preparation for the HSC, courses are run by Macquarie Uni academics on core and elective subjects areas. Biology, Chemistry and Physics courses running in the July school holidays. See www.futurestudent.mq.edu.au/undergraduate for info and registration.

FREE Design Workshops

CATC is a specialised design college offering courses from Certificate to Diploma level in Graphic Design and Interior Design. Yr 11/12 visual arts and design students can attend a FREE Design Workshop on 15 August. Book now...

See the Best vs the Best Free Entry.

Watch competitors battle it out in up to 50 trades and skill categories and have a go yourself at Try'a Trade! Visit the Worldskills Australia National Competition at Sydney Convention & Exhibition Centre, Darling Harbour from 9 am to 4 pm on 11 – 13 July 2008. For more info go to www.worldskills.org.au.

Flower Power!

Pearsons School of Floristry offers a variety of courses from 2 hour workshops to a fully accredited Commercial Design Certificate, commencing July. Sign up now for early bird discount \$400! Free monthly Info Session – 27 May. Bookings required.

Macquarie Christian Studies Institute

It is a non-denominational Christian educational provider offering a Bachelor of Christian Studies that includes a discipline studies component that can be taken from any Australian university.

Film Industry Career Evening

The Metro Screen Network presents an opportunity on 3 June to meet with working film industry professionals to gain valuable insight, advice and career guidance. Sydney Open Day: 14 June.

APM Scholarships.

APM Training Institute is a specialist educator in Marketing, Public Relations, Event Management and Advertising. Scholarships valued at \$7000 are available to prospective students. Applications close 30 September.

Interested in Arts, Business or Law?

Need help finding a career path that is right for you? The University of Wollongong will hold an Info Evening for

prospective students on 3 June exploring course and career options in Arts, Business or Law. RSVP required.

Lions Australia Youth Exchange. Need a short break from work or study? Thinking about overseas travel? Lions Australia Youth Exchange offer programs for Australian youth aged between 17 and 21 including a 6 week program every year during the summer holidays.

2008 Honeywell Engineering Summer School (HESS)

HESS provides Yr 11 students with an overview of the Engineering profession and its many applications in everyday life. Includes practical engineering activities, site visits, social events, FUN! December 7-12. APPLY NOW. First in, best dressed!!

TAFE DVD Resource

Love Your Future is an interactive multimedia resource providing information on course and study options at TAFE NSW for Yr 11/12 students. Parents/students can view presentation online and printout handouts.

UOW Yr 10 Info Evenings

The University of Wollongong will hold an Information Night for Years 10 students and parents on 18 June (Sutherland) and 30 June (Wollongong) to provide information on admission and subject selection in Yrs 11/12. Bookings required.

Women in Engineering

Engineers Australia has produced a resource booklet for download highlighting the talent and accomplishments of women in Engineering and showcasing the diversity, competence and success of female engineers.

Youth Science Forum

The National Youth Science Forum is a 2 week residential program in January 2009 in Canberra for students moving into Year 12 who are thinking about a career in science, engineering and technology. Applications close 30 May. [hare Your Australia!](http://www.hareyouraustralia.com)

Want a Career in the Events Industry?

Ultimo College Diploma of Events Management students in conjunction with The Whole Package Events are presenting a One Day Events Symposium on Wednesday 4 June at Turner Hall, Building B, Ultimo College. Attend Session 1 from 12 – 3 pm and/or session 2 from 3.30 – 8.00 pm for insights into the real world of events.

Register your interest at event.symposium08@hotmail.com

Spend your Summer Overseas.

Find out how at the next Southern Cross Cultural Exchange information session. Tuesday 27 May, 7.30 pm at the Crows Nest Community Centre, 2 Ernest Place. Phone 1800 500 501 or visit www.scce.com.au for more details.

Short and long term exchange.

Learn and discover the world, visit www.wep.org.au or attend the World Education Program Australia information evening on 28 May at the York Conference & Function Centre, Level 2, 95-99 York Street, at 7.30pm

Please see Ms. McAloon, Careers Advisor, for more information on any of the above notices or visit www.careercentral.edu.au. Parents and teachers can also register online at Career Central. To open a user account, click 'registered' and follow the prompts.

Around the School...

Year 11 students visited Auburn Mosque as part of their Studies of Religion course. Females covered their hair as a sign of respect for themselves according to Muslim custom.



West Tigers Rugby Players visited the College to talk about safety, awareness and common sense when driving!



Some of the quilts created by Year 8 Students for their assessments

