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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

What a great way to kickstart Term 3 at Rosehill College! The beginning of the term has already been filled with exciting opportunities, achievements, and memorable experiences across our school community.

From the unforgettable Year 11 PEHO Pinnacles tramp and 13BIO Zoo trip, to the 12PEO Kaimai tramp and other EOTC experiences, our students have continued to challenge themselves, step outside their comfort zones, and create lasting memories.

The Arts and Culture community has also been thriving, with Arts Week, Talent Show, Fiafia Night, the KBB Music Festival, and the Year 9–10 Haka Competition celebrating the incredible creativity and talent within our kura. Our students have also represented Rosehill with pride across a range of sporting events, with teams competing in netball, football, hockey, and finals throughout the term.

Alongside this, student life has remained busy with Academic Week, NZ Book Week, Green Week, and our ongoing community initiatives.

A huge thank you to our students, staff, whānau, and wider community for making Term 3 such an exciting start. We can't wait to see what the rest of the term brings!

— Catherine Vea, Student Representative



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SCHOOL EVENTS & TRIPS

BALL 2026 – SEE THE LIGHT

The 2026 Rosehill College Ball was held on the 4th of July, and it was truly an amazing night. As we walked into the venue, we were greeted by a magical flower archway provided to us by the wonderful Wild Apricot Events. Our vision was absolutely brought to life by their team. Apart from the main decorations, the stunning table centre pieces placed on each and every table were crafted by the events committee themselves. The decorations were beautiful, however the main event of the ball was the students, who looked absolutely striking all dressed up. But who did the students think impressed? The award for the best dressed boy went to lori Lemuelu-Villiamu who absolutely blinded us with his amazing yellow suit. The award for best dressed girl went to Kelsey Beetham, who gave us pure vibrant energy with her beautiful pink dress.



Awards were also given for Beau and Belle (Year 12 Rosehill students attending ball together) as well as King and Queen (Year 13 Rosehill students attending ball together), these awards by far are the most anticipated of the night. The award for Beau and Belle went to Abby Jellie and Wilz Rupapera, and the award for King and Queen went to Leelee Green-McNiff and Henry Mayall who looked absolutely stunning as they accepted their matching satin sashes. Once the awards were handed out, the energy stayed high as students took over the dance floor. There was a lot of effort put into the behind the scenes of the ball, and the events committee would like to thank our providers and everyone who dedicated their time to help us create this memorable event.

— **Jasmeet Kaur, Events Committee**



SCHOOL EVENTS & TRIPS

11PEHO PINNACLES TRAMP

Our Year 11 Outdoor Education trip to the Pinnacles in the Coromandel was definitely one to remember. While the journey was challenging, especially carrying our heavy tramping packs, it was the memories we made along the way that made the experience so special. After reaching the top, we got to enjoy the incredible scenery of the Coromandel while spending time together as a class. Some of my favourite moments were playing games, laughing until we couldn't stop, and cooking meals together on our gas stoves. After a long day of hiking, sitting together, sharing food and stories made all the hard work worth it.

The trip gave us the chance to step outside our comfort zones, but most importantly, it brought us closer together as a class. From the challenging hike to the endless laughter at the hut, the Pinnacles was an experience filled with moments and memories that I'll always treasure.

—**TraciLee Mackenzie, 11PEHO Student**



12PEO KAIMAIS RANGERS TRAMP

Going on my Year 12 Outdoor Education trip to the Kaimais was honestly one of the toughest but most meaningful experiences I've had at school. The hike challenged us from the start the tracks were wet, muddy, and slippery, and fallen trees blocked parts of the path, making everything harder with our heavy bags on our backs. Even though the conditions were rough, those challenges actually brought our group closer together. Whenever someone slowed down, we all stopped and waited. Crossing the river showed our teamwork the most, with everyone helping each other to stay safe and avoid injuries. What stood out to me wasn't just the physical challenge, but how considerate and supportive we were as a group. By the end, it felt less like a school trip and more like something that genuinely strengthened us.

— **Hope Williams, 12PEO Student**



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ROSEHILL TALENT SHOW

On the 31st of July, the long-awaited Talent Show finally took place. After months of planning, including finding capable judges and searching for the best singers, dancers, and supergroups within Rosehill, it was amazing to finally see it all come together. It was an amazing, high-energy night, and it was so much fun to see it go down so well. Every single performer gave it their all and showed their mana, each in their own unique way.



The audience was even more full than originally anticipated, which made the atmosphere even better. A massive thank you also has to go to our stage crew for helping everything run smoothly behind the scenes. Overall, it was an awesome night, and I'm incredibly proud of everyone who performed and helped make the Talent Show such a success. It was awesome to see so much talent and support within our kura.





SCHOOL EVENTS & TRIPS

13BIO ZOO TRIP

On Thursday 20th August, the Level 3 Biology students completed their annual trip to Auckland Zoo. The trip provided a valuable opportunity for students to consolidate and apply their learning for the Human Evolution paper, which they will sit in their external exams at the end of the year. As part of the visit, students took part in a hands-on workshop where they examined a range of skeletons, skulls and tools. This allowed them to make connections between the concepts they have studied in class and real examples of human evolution and biological change.



Following the workshop, students had the opportunity to explore Auckland Zoo and visit the many animal exhibits throughout the day. This gave them a chance to observe a variety of species and consider the adaptations and characteristics that help animals survive in their environments. The trip also provided a welcome opportunity to learn outside the classroom, work alongside their peers and engage with biology in a different setting. Overall, it was an enjoyable and worthwhile experience that supported students' learning while giving them a chance to experience biology in action.

- Mrs Duckett





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ROSEHILL 'MINI ROX' REPRESENTATIVES

On Saturday 18th July five Rosehill College students competed in the Drury Strength and Fitness HYROX. Shyla, Dayton, Cody, Justin and Mitchell absolutely smashed the Mini Rox category. This consisted of seven 450 metre runs in between 40 burpees, 40 sand bag lunges and 50 wall balls as some of the exercises. Their hard work, dedication to weekly training and motivation all paid off when they completed this intense workout!





SPORTS UPDATES

ETHAN FLETCHER U16 NZ AMERICAN FOOTBALL REP

We wanted to share a special occasion for Ethan that occurred over the holidays. On Saturday 11th July Ethan represented NZ in the NZ U16 American Football team against Australia. The day saw the NZ U16, NZ U18 and NZ Mens sides take on their Australian counterparts at the Trusts Arena Stadium in Henderson.

Ethan trialled for the team back in January, was selected for the wider squad in February, and made the final team in June. At the jersey presentation on the Thursday before the game Ethan was announced as one of the co-captains for the team which was an incredible honor, but also a great reward for all the hard work he had put in over the last 4 months. Unfortunately Australia were too strong on the day and the NZ team were soundly beaten 44 - 0. However it was a great occasion and all the boys represented themselves and their communities with pride and passion.



Ethan doesn't need or want any fanfare made of the achievement, but we thought it important to share with you what has been an incredible experience for him. We also wanted to share our thanks as his growth in the team was heavily supported by the opportunities he has had at school in his leadership role (such as the Blues leadership days), the experiences from his 12PEO class, and the physical development on the rugby field from Saua and the 1st XV coaching team.





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GET 2 GO CHALLENGES

Sophie Clark and I took a group of sixteen Year 9 and 10 students out for an event called 'Get 2 Go'. This event consisted of 3 different team challenges. We started our day at Onehunga basin reserve for a kayak and stand up paddle board challenge. We then head to Western Springs for orienteering and finished at Grey Lynn for mountain biking.

These students represented our kura with pride and demonstrated the Rosehill values not only within their team but also with the event organisers and other schools. We had a lot of exhausted and muddy kids by the end of the day but overall, they had a blast.

If you see any of these students around school, please congratulate them on their efforts. They are superstars! It was a privilege to take these students out for this event.



Year 9:

- Ashlee Parker
- Aria Windleborn
- Harper Taylor
- Sydney Stratton
- Dylan Blackett
- Seb Waltham
- Harry Purdy
- James Hatchard

Year 10:

- Evie Meier
- Livia Pepper
- Zoe Bouda
- Isabella Geraghty
- Ayaz Nishad
- Blake Pirie
- Brodi Stewart
- Kaycey Pederson

- **Casey Webster and Sophie Clark**



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CULTURE & ARTS



KBB MUSIC FESTIVAL

Going to the KBB Band Competition and representing Rosehill College was such a cool experience. There were so many different schools and bands there, and it was really fun hearing everyone perform and seeing the different styles of music. I was definitely nervous before we performed, but once we started playing, it was actually really good and we got into it smoothly. After performing, we got to watch some of the other bands, which was probably one of my favourite parts because the atmosphere was so supportive. At the end, Rosehill College received the Bronze Award, which was honestly really exciting because we had all put so much effort into preparing. Even though we didn't get a higher award, I was still really proud of everyone and thought we played well. Overall, KBB was such a memorable experience and I'd definitely want to do it again.

-Leslie Abrod, Band Member

FIAFIA NIGHT

FiaFia Night was a wonderful cultural event that was held at our school, bringing together students, families, and staff to celebrate the diverse cultures within our community. In the weeks leading up to the event, students worked incredibly hard preparing their performances, practising traditional dances, learning routines, and organising cultural displays. On the night, everyone was filled with much anticipated excitement as students took to the stage to showcase their cultural identities through music, dance, costumes, and performances. It was especially rewarding to see the confidence and enthusiasm students displayed while sharing traditions that were meaningful to them.

-Mr. Good





STUDENT LIFE & COMMUNITY

ACADEMIC WEEK

On Wednesday the 12th of August Academic kicked off with the STEM-EX competition taking place. This was a MATHEX style competition with a sciencey twist with the prize of house points for the winning house. The juniors and seniors battled for house points with Manutaki taking first place overall. On Thursday, there was a fun trivia quiz with general knowledge questions to get students around the school thinking with the prize of lollies for the winning group. Lastly, throughout the week, there was a writing competition available for students to submit their own piece of writing with the chance of winning a \$30 dollar Prezzy Card. The chosen winner of this writing competition was Srirama Nimmakayala.

All of the academic leaders are grateful for those who came, participated, and showed house spirit. Thank you for making 2026 Academic Week successful!

- Dorisha Devi, Academic Leader



ARTS WEEK

This term the Arts Committee held Arts Week during Week 2. This was an eventful week aiming to express the talents within our school alongside competitive house spirit. Monday held the House Quiz of all things Music, Movies and Facts. Manutaki easily took the win with Pounamu in second. Tuesday brought a new event for our school, Cupcake decorating competition. The turn out was amazing! The creativity and use of baking and decorating ingredients lead to a tight competition with amazing designs. Congratulations to Olivia McDonald with her Mike Wazowski design.

Wednesday was our annual chalk art competition. The creative use of space and layering of chalk had a great turn out. It was difficult for the judges but Rangatahi got first with Pounamu close in second once again.

Then on to Thursday with origami. This proved a challenge for some, while others were a natural. We would like to thank everyone for their contribution and hard work during Arts Week and congratulations for the amazing work everyone produced.



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JUNIOR SPELLING BEE CHAMPS

Following year level heats our Year 9s and Year 10s spellers competed in our Junior House Spelling Bee competition earlier this week. Our House Champions, garnering Spelling Bee accolades for their reports and house points were:

Sufyan Adnan - Pounamu

Angel Luayon - Kahurangi

Rangatahi - Sanvi Patel

Manutaki - Asher Moratuwa-Arachchige

The House with best participation and house points for 1st, 2nd and 3rd will be announced next week.

Please congratulate our Junior House Spelling Bee champions when you see them! Also please congratulate any of the students who participated in the written round of the New Zealand National Spelling Bee on Monday.

Lastly, a shout out to Robert Purdy and Maelynn Walmsley both of whom stepped-up to run our Spelling Bee competitions this year.

FOLLOW THESE HANDLES FOR MORE UPDATES!

Houses

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@manutakiwolves

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@kahurangisharks

@atawhaitigers

@upthetahi

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

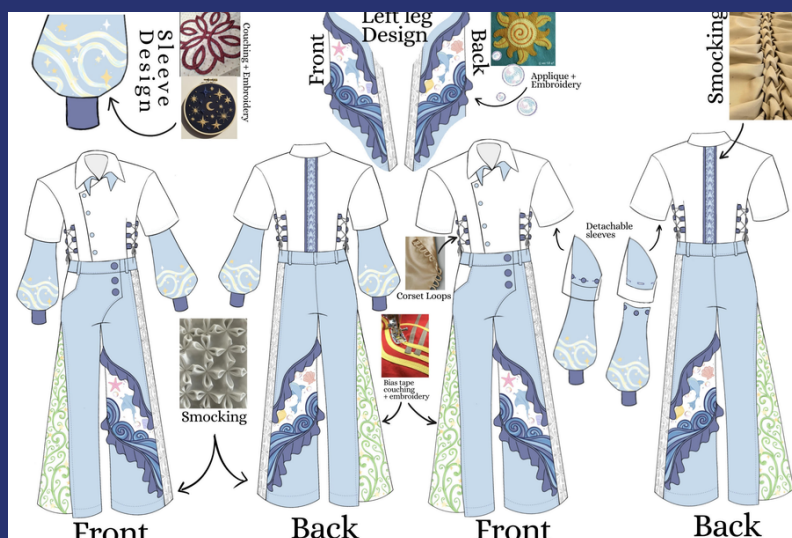
CYPRESS LESLIE & CELESTE THOMSON – NZ FASHION WEEK “WALK IN LINE ENTRY”

Cypress Leslie & Celeste Thomson has made the final cut for the "Walk the Line" NZ Fashion Week Student Competition.

Making the finals is a massive accomplishment as only 80 are hand picked by a panel of fashion expert judges across NZ.

We are extremely excited to be able to represent Rosehill College (Fabric) Technology again this year at the NZ Fashion Week on the 22nd August.

Please congratulate them next time you see them around.





UPCOMING NOTICES

- Lunchtime - Events Committee BBQ Thursday, 9th September
- Papua New Guinea Pidgin Language Week Sunday 6/09/2026 — Saturday 12/09/2026
- 13PEO Hillary Outdoors Tongariro Sunday 20/09/2026 — Friday 25/09/2026
- Tuvalu Language Week Sunday 27/09/2026 — Saturday 3/10/2026
- Board Meeting Wednesday 23/09/2026