# Rosehill College

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We look forward to welcoming all students back to school in January 2024. A special welcome to all our new students for 2024. I hope you are looking forward to coming to Rosehill College, achieving success, and making new friendships. For returning students and their parents there are some changes you need to be aware of, so please take note of what is in this newsletter. It is also available on the school website under Home/Start of Year.

Year 12s and 13s now have their 2023 results from NZQA and will be setting their academic goals for the upcoming year. Our Year 9s, 10s and 11s will have the Rosehill College Diploma to aim for in 2024, so we encourage parents to discuss student's goals and aspirations before returning to school.

The values of Rosehill College are:

Whanaungatanga | Respect - Together we are more Manaakitanga | Connect - We rise by lifting others Hihiritanga | Strive - We are resilient and we persevere Rangatiratanga | Reflect - Excellence in all we do

These values underpin expected attitudes and behaviours in all areas – classrooms, locker areas, grounds, canteen, sports games, on the way to and from school. These values shape our learning and create a safe environment for all. I look forward to strong home-school partnerships in 2024 which support our students' learning, and I wish for a successful year for all.

Ngā mihi

Davida Suasua Principal

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#### We have also included:

- Student Information sheet. Please update student details including caregiver/emergency information for your child, complete this form or email required changes to studentadmin@rosehillcollege.school.nz.
- A list of an individual's selected subjects for 2024. PLEASE do not phone the College until after 22 January if you have any queries about subject choices. The subject list will include both Semester 1 and Semester 2 subjects in Years 9 to 11 so there may be a repeat, e.g. 11MATH could appear twice for some students.

**Beginning dates:** 

**Student Leaders' Camp** (at Waharau)

Wednesday 24 January

8:15am to

Thursday 25 January

5:00pm

#### **Start Dates**

This year we are staggering the start for each year level. Each group of students will be expected to attend school for the whole time on their allocated day. Year 10 to 13 students must attend their Manaakitia Mai group at 9:00am.

Year 12 and Year 13
Senior Course Confirmation and Re-enrolment for Year 12 and 13 Students. Every student has been sent an email with the date that they are to attend.

Year 12 & 13 – priority re-enrolment only All other Year 12 & 13 – re-enrolment	Tuesday 30 January Wednesday 31 January	9:00am 9:00am		
New International Students' Orientation	Wednesday 31 January Thursday 1 February Friday 2 February	9:00am 9:00am 9:00am	- - -	3:00pm 3:00pm 12:00pm
Year 11 only (Buses will not be operating)	Thursday 1 February	9:00am	-	2:00pm
Year 10 only (Buses will not be operating)	Friday 2 February	9:00am	-	2:00pm
Year 9 and new students only (Buses will be operating) New students who are not Year 9s may leave at 11:20	•	8:45am	-	3:10pm
Peer Support Leaders	Monday 5 February	8:00am	-	3:10pm
All students on-site together	Wednesday 7 February	8:45am	-	3:10pm

Please check the enclosed Student Details sheet for your 2024 Manaakitia Mai Group.

# **Term Dates:**

Term 1	From week of 30 January – see above				То	12 Apr 24 at 12:30pm
Waitangi Day Holiday	Tuesday	6 Feb 24				
Easter Holiday	Friday	29 Mar 24	To	2 Apr 24		
Term 2	Monday	29 Apr 24	То	5 Jul 24		
King's Birthday	Monday	3 Jun 24				
Staff Only Day	Tuesday	4 Jun 24				
Matariki	Friday	28 Jun 24				
Term 3	Monday	22 Jul 24	То	27 Sep 24		
Term 4	Monday	14 Oct 24	То	Y12-13 - 30 Oct 24 (TBC) Y9-11 - 6 Dec 24 (TBC)		
Labour Day	Monday	28 Oct 24				
Staff Only Day	Friday	15 Nov 24				

# **Daily times:**

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Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday		Tuesday					
First Bell		8:45	am				
Period 1	8:50	-	9:40am	No Period 1			
Period 2	9:45	-	10:30am	Period 2	9:45	-	10:30am
Interval	10:30	-	11:10am	Interval	10:30	-	11:10am
Period 3	11:10	-	12:00pm	Period 3	11:10	-	12:00pm
Period 4	12:05	-	12:50pm	Period 4	12:05	-	12:50pm
Lunch	12:50	-	1:30pm	Lunch	12:50	-	1:30pm
Period 5	1:30	-	2:20pm	Period 5	1:30	-	2:20pm
Period 6	2:25	-	3:10pm	Period 6	2:25	-	3:10pm

Please note that classes begin at 8:50am, so please ensure that your son or daughter arrives with time to be in their classroom by the beginning of the school day.

#### Senior Course Confirmation and Re-enrolment for Year 12 and 13 Students

#### Priority re-enrolment students have been sent an email.

Year 12 & 13 – priority re-enrolment only Tuesday 30 January 9:00am All other Year 12 & 13 – re-enrolment Wednesday 31 January 9:00am

Year 12 and Year 13 Students who have gaps or clashes in their timetable, must complete priority re-enrolment with their Head of House on 30 January. All other Year 12 and 13 students are expected to attend on 31 January. Please contact your Head of House if you are unable to attend on these dates.

# Manaakitia Mai Groups 2024 - Year 9 and Year 10

Our Year 9 and Year 10 students' Manaakitia Mai Groups will be smaller than their core-class groups. These smaller groups allow for targeted Literacy and Numeracy learning every Monday and Tuesday morning. The aim of our small-group Literacy and Numeracy lessons is to ensure that by Year 11 every student has been able to successfully complete the three NCEA common assessment activities.

In addition to the dedicated Literacy and Numeracy learning, our values lessons and House activities are supported during Manaakitia Mai on Friday afternoons. In our Manaakitia Mai time we ensure a thorough, targeted, and continued induction to secondary school and life at Rosehill College. In addition, we are able to work with junior students on their goal setting, career pathways, digital citizenship, and extending themselves through our college values.

#### Manaakitia Mai Groups 2024 - Year 11

Year 11 Manaakitia Mai groups are divided into smaller groups and larger Manaakitia Mai groups. Smaller groups, much like the Year 9s and 10s, are those who have not yet met the NCEA Literacy and Numeracy requirements and require targeted support before attempting the NCEA common assessment activities in May. The focus of Monday and Tuesday mornings will be building the capacity and confidence to approach these exams.

The larger groups of students who have successfully completed at least 20 credits toward Literacy and Numeracy in Year 10, operate more like the Senior Manaakitia Mai groups. Students have the opportunity for learning key study-skills and life-skills through mini-courses, as well as focusing on goal setting, career pathways, community involvement and extending themselves through our college values.

#### Manaakitia Mai Groups 2024 - Year 12 and 13

Year 12 and 13 Senior Manaakitia Mai Groups are larger than in other year levels of the Manaakitia Mai programme. Academic mentoring and study-skills are targeted during Manaakitia Mai. Information sessions from universities, course providers and other pathway opportunities occur on Monday and Tuesday mornings. Scholarship programmes and extension learning is encouraged, so some Year 12 students may sign-up for these during Manaakitia Mai time.

Following the tuakana-teina model of older students supporting younger ones. Year 12 and 13s have the chance to engage with our college and wider community - for example, through Student Volunteer Army - and Peer Support Leaders will continue to work with Year 9 students in the Peer Support Programme. We expect our Senior students to have both the opportunity and focus to live our college values.

Your student's 2024 Manaakitia Mai Group is on the enclosed Student Details sheet and students need to know this for their first day at school.

# **Communications:**

# Website

Please check our website at least every week. The Student/Parent Portal will have the daily notices and the school calendar showing upcoming school events. The website is our main form of communication, so please do check it, the College's website is: <a href="https://www.rosehillcollege.school.nz">www.rosehillcollege.school.nz</a>.

# Facebook

We also have a Facebook page, <a href="https://www.facebook.com/rosehillcollegeofficial">https://www.facebook.com/rosehillcollegeofficial</a>. Urgent announcements are posted on Facebook and as banner announcements on our Rosehill College website.

#### School App

Download our school app at <a href="https://schoolappsnz.co.nz/install/">https://schoolappsnz.co.nz/install/</a>. From School App, you can access absentee reporting.

#### **Parent Forums**

Parent Forums usually occur once a term on topics that are of interest to parents. We encourage all parents/caregivers to attend. For Term 1 the dates are:

Year 9 - 15 February 2024 Year 10 - 22 February 2024 Year 11 - 29 February 2024

# Te Rōpū Āwhina

All Māori parents and caregivers are invited to join this rōpū. We meet regularly and are keen to bring the parents of Māori students together to discuss their children's education. Details about our hui will be on the school website, and whānau will also receive email communication about these.

# **School Donations Scheme**

We have joined the Government Donation Scheme again for 2024 and hence are not asking for a school activity donation or donations towards course costs in 2024. As per the scheme, we will continue to ask for donations to meet the costs of camps and overnight trips. Fees will be charged for extra-curricular activities. We will be monitoring our financial position very closely throughout the year, and we may need to adjust some activities that are offered if we do not receive the expected level of donations towards camps and overnight trips. We will do our best to continue to provide the rich experiences that enhance learning at Rosehill College.

You can make a voluntary donation to Rosehill College at any time and if you choose to do this, GST is not payable on the donation and you can claim a tax credit.

Parents/caregivers do have to pay for:

- Charge/fee for an optional event (example weekend ski trip, extra-curricular)
- Take-home component where parents have agreed to purchase (examples –student-made letterbox, item of clothing)
- Visiting drama or music groups (non-curriculum)
- Weekend sports teams
- After-hours/lunchtime culture or sports activities
- Music Tuition optional outside of general education programme (extra-curricular)
- Instrument hire optional (extra-curricular)
- Workbooks (optional when parents have agreed to purchase)
- Photocopying/printing (personal and not needed for core programme learning, extra-curricular use)
- Stationery
- Tertiary course (dual enrolment at a tertiary institution)
- School Ball
- Student ID Cards
- School Magazine/Yearbook

Students are encouraged to bring Chromebooks, laptops, calculators, and other such equipment if they have them.

## Year 10 Camps

Please note, these dates are correct, but may change.

Atawhai & Pounamu	Mon 18 Mar	to	Wed 20 Mar	Manutaki	Mon 25 Mar	to	Wed 27 Mar
Kahurangi & Taikura	Wed 20 Mar	to	Fri 22 Mar	Pounamu	Wed 22 Mar	to	Fri 24 Mar

Parents/caregivers of Year 10 students will receive information about these camps at the start of Term 1.

Payments for any overnight camps are not part of the school donation scheme. Parents need to arrange to pay \$205.00 towards the costs of accommodation, food, and transport for this camp prior to their child going on camp.

#### Uniform

**The Uniform Shoppe**, Papakura stocks our uniform items - please refer to their website <a href="https://www.theuniformshoppe.co.nz">www.theuniformshoppe.co.nz</a> for details.

For information about uniform requirements please see our website at <a href="www.rosehillcollege.school.nz">www.rosehillcollege.school.nz</a>/Start of Year.

# Year 12 and 13 Uniform

Current students can continue to wear the existing uniform. It is important to refer to the website for details on the correct uniform to wear including footwear, www.rosehillcollege.school.nz/Start of Year.

#### Year 9 to 11 Uniform

Students can wear their existing uniform until it needs to be replaced.

All new to Rosehill College students are expected to purchase the new uniform.

## PE Uniform

PE uniform is compulsory for all year levels, there are now different coloured shirts for different houses, please refer to our website.

#### Second Hand Junior and Senior Uniforms

If you have any second-hand uniforms in good condition that you would like to donate to the college, they would be much appreciated. Unfortunately, we do not sell second hand uniforms, but we do like to have some on hand for emergencies. Please bring items into the Student Office after 22 January if you can help.

# Cell phones at school

A reminder that no student is allowed to use their cell phone between 8:30am and 3:30pm at school. We can contact students in classes with messages, so please contact the college before attempting to call or text your child during school hours.

Students using their cell phones at school will have their phone removed and a parent will be asked to sign-for and collect the phone from our secure storage on Fridays after school.

### **Bus Information**

Buses will commence their normal runs from the morning of Monday 5 February – they will pick students up from college at 3:20pm. For information about bus routes and departure times see our website at www.rosehillcollege.school.nz/ about us/buses

# Picking up students from school

If you want to pick your son or daughter up after their first day (or subsequent days) at school, please get them to meet you off site. We have buses coming in our front entrance to pick up students after school and we have hundreds of students leaving by our front entrance on foot – we cannot have cars coming in around that time to pick up students as well, for Health and Safety reasons.