

NEWSLETTER

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Respect Engage Achieve Learn

From the Principal

What a busy start to the 2025 school year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the whole school community for your continued support, I am grateful for our many parents who have taken the opportunity to work with us as a partner in your child's education. Your attendance at our School Assemblies and Parent Teacher Interviews is appreciated, along with your assistance in supporting our initiatives and policies, such as the "Keeping it REAL" Program.

This term we welcomed our Year 7 students. The students have been working with our dedicated Year 7 team who are focusing on delivering a consistent and structured way of learning through our whole school Instructional Model.

There have been many occasions that I have been able to celebrate with our students this term. Firstly we were able to celebrate the Scholarship Program which has a significant number of local businesses making financial contributions to some of our students education. Being able to recognise students in all year groups will only enhance the learning opportunities offered to our students. This term we were able to celebrate student success with our Scholarship Assembly, where our wonderful sponsors come in to present their Scholarships to the students.

Our Year 7 and 9 students have taken their NAPLAN tests, and our Year 10-12 students have sat their OLNA testing. We would like to thank all of our wonderful teaching staff and students for their efforts this year.

Have a wonderful Easter and enjoy your break. I look forward to seeing you all in Term 2.

Best wishes,

Stan Koios
Principal

Diary Dates	
Last day of Term 1, 2025	11 April
Term 2— 2025 Students return	29 April
Western Australia Day Public Holiday	2 June
Senior School Ball	27 June
Last day of Term 2 July	4 July

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YEAR 7

Term 1 has come to an end for our Year 7 students! They've gone from being the big kids of Primary School, to the newbies in a new environment.

First term down. For our students new friendships have formed, new teachers and a new school to go on their high school journey. They've been involved in multiple activities such as REAL Week which was based around school culture, connection with one another and community, sports equipment to use in the Year 7 area, trying out new subjects for the first time and so much more.

It's been amazing to see the growth in the Year 7's from a social and emotional perspective. We're looking forward to see what Term 2 holds for them as they continue their high school journey

Matt Di Gregorio — Student Support Officer

YEAR 8

I'm new to RSHS starting at the beginning of Term 1 and working as the SSO for Year 8.

This term has been about getting to know my Year 8 students and house leaders.

It has been a very busy term with house leaders facilitating Kahoot in the library every Monday lunchtime. Many of laughs were had watching the friendly rivalry and competitive nature of the students all whilst creating new friendships.

Another highlight from this term was the Positive Behaviour Activity for Year 7 students where I facilitated a READ jigsaw puzzle activity. The amazing teamwork, collaboration and sense of camaraderie from everyone involved was inspiring.

Gnalla Djooks also recommenced at RSHS Term 1, where all aboriginal girls from year 7-10 were invited to learn about history and culture from the incredible facilitators from the Stephen Michael Foundation. Gnalla Djooks is an innovative and culturally secure program that helps to empower young aboriginal women.

I look forward to the year ahead building relationships with the students and look forward to the events that we have planned.

Di Grant — Student Support Officer

YEAR 10

I had the pleasure of joining the Rockingham Senior High School community this year, working as a Student Support Officer in the Year 10 space.

During Term 1 I made it a focus to get out and amongst it, meeting with teachers and our Year 10 students both in and out of the classroom environment allowing for many positive working relationships to form.

Early in the term, Year 10 House leaders collaborated to organise fun activities for all students during recess and lunchtimes. The weekly volleyball activity encourages students of all year groups to come together, breaking down barriers across the school community allowing opportunity for cross year group friendships to develop.

During REAL week it was a joy to see the values of our school in full flow as students participated in the many fun and creative activities facilitated by the collaborative efforts of our wonderful Student Services team and community stakeholders I am looking forward to seeing how the year unfolds, excited to develop new working relationships whilst strengthening those already established.

Ange Cowgill - Student Support Officer

SENIOR SCHOOL

Certificate II Sport and Recreation

The Year 11 Students went to Rottnest Island to demonstrate their snorkelling skills taught in-class over term 1 at various sites around Rockingham including Aqua Jetty, Rockingham Aquatic Centre and Point Peron.

The conditions were warm and perfect for snorkelling on the Island, in particular for Thursday's group. Students snorkelled at Parakeet Bay, Geordie Bay, Fays Bay and The Basin and represented Rockingham SHS very well throughout the day.



RUGBY ACADEMY

The Rugby League Academy is off to a flying start, with all year levels back into training for the 2025 school year. Our newest specialist students in the Year 7 program have hit the ground running, bringing plenty of enthusiasm and excitement—often getting ahead of themselves, which is great to see!

All grades have returned to focusing on the fundamentals, learning and practicing key Rugby League skills and completing fitness testing to track individual progress throughout the year.

As Term 1 comes to a close, the NRL WA Schoolboy Trophy Competition has kicked off, with Round 1 played against Atwell College. Both our Year 8 and Year 9 teams recorded dominant wins, setting a strong tone as they look to build on their success from 2024.

We're excited to continue our round games in the Year 8–10 competitions and to participate in 9-a-side carnivals across all grades, with both boys' and girls' teams taking part.

Recently, our senior Year 11/12 combined boys' team went undefeated in a 9-a-side competition. They'll compete in a finals series next term with the potential to be crowned Inter-school Champions.

It's been an optimistic and energetic start to the 2025 season—with a busy and promising Term 2 ahead!

SPECIALIST SPORTS PROGRAM BASKETBALL

Lightning Carnival Success & More!

Congratulations to our Year 10 boys and girls teams for their incredible victory at their recent Lightning Carnival! Both teams were crowned champions, with the boys' grand final coming down to the wire—Adam New sealed the win by sinking two clutch free throws after the siren to secure a thrilling 1-point victory!

Our teams have also been in action against Comet Bay across Years 7–10, coming away with a fantastic 5–1 overall record—well done to all players involved!

A huge thank you and congratulations to our Year 10/11 students who volunteered their time to umpire and score for our local feeder primary school events. Your leadership and support are truly appreciated.

Looking ahead to next term, we're excited for a range of upcoming events, including the SSWA Senior School Carnival, a special visit from Olympian Natalie Burton, the Year 8 and 9 Lightning Carnivals, and the Year 7 and 10 State 3v3 competitions.

Well done to all students for their efforts, sportsmanship, and achievements this term—bring on Term 2!

SPECIALIST SPORTS PROGRAM NETBALL

Year 10 Netball SSP students attended the SCAPHE Lightning Carnival on April 2nd. The A division finished a close second to Melville SHS after wins against Atwell, Willetton, Leeming, and Rossmoyne, and a draw with Melville. The B division also finished second with wins against Fremantle, John Curtin, and Hammond Park, a draw with Rossmoyne, and a narrow loss to Melville.

On Wednesday April 9, Netball SSP students attended the bi-annual "Matchplay Day" at Mike Barnett. This excursion forms an assessment for all netball students, who form mixed teams of Year 7-10 students and play off in a round-robin style competition. Well done to all students for coaching, umpiring, scoring and for the Blue Team for coming away with first place!





MANDURAH SHOWROOM
Term 1 Holidays Opening Hours

Tuesday 15th April	8.30am - 4.30pm
Wednesday 16th April	8.30am - 4.30pm
Thursday 17th April	8am - 2pm
Tuesday 22nd April	8.30am - 4.30pm
Wednesday 23rd April	8.30am - 4.30pm
Thursday 24th April	8am - 2pm
Monday 28th April	8.30am - 4.30pm

Online ordering for shop pick up also available 24/7 at:
tarauniforms.com.au



ROCKINGHAM YOUTH CENTRE

Term 1 has come to an end – this means that the RYC School Holiday Program is about to begin! Please see the flyers attached on the following page.

If anyone is interested in attending the programs, please have them contact the Youth Centre – youthcentre@rockingham.wa.gov.au or 9591 0836.

Registrations are essential.

To register or to learn more about our programs, please contact the Rockingham Youth Centre on **9591 0836**, email **youthcentre@rockingham.wa.gov.au** or drop in to speak to us at 20 Mackinnon St, Rockingham.

**We are open 10am – 5.30pm
Monday – Friday.**

Closure dates:

Friday 18 April (Good Friday)
Monday 21 April (Easter Monday)
Friday 25 April (ANZAC Day)



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Monday 14 April

Go Karting

4pm - 7pm | Ages 17 - 24

Fuel your need for speed. Join us for a high-energy go-karting experience where you'll race against friends and test your driving skills on the track.

Register for the 4pm bus or meet us there at 4.30pm.



7 Sobek Pass, Bibra Lake

Monday 14 April

Let Me Cook

Youth Nutrition Workshop

11am - 1pm | Ages 12 - 17

Calling all food lovers, our youth cooking workshop is the perfect place to learn culinary skills while having fun. From creating mouthwatering dishes to mastering cooking techniques, this hands-on session will make you a kitchen superstar.



Rockingham Youth Centre

Rockingham SKATEPARK SERIES

Cooloongup Coaching Clinics

Tuesday 15 April

Combined Skate, Scooter and BMX Clinic
10am - 12pm | All ages

Looking to build your confidence rolling at the skate park? Whether you scooter, skateboard, roller-ski or ride BMX, there's a session for you.

You can simply turn up at the park as registrations will be taken on the day. Events and clinics are suitable for riders of all ages and of all skill levels.



Cooloongup Skate Park



Tuesday 15 April

Cosy Crafts

DIY Bookmarks

2pm - 3.30pm | Ages 12 - 17

Unleash your creativity in this cosy crafting session. Design and make your own personalised bookmarks using a variety of materials. A perfect way to add some fun flair to your reading or gift them to a friend.



Rockingham Youth Centre

Thursday 17 April

Mary Davies Library

GAMING DAY

1pm - 4pm | Ages 12 - 17

Level up your gaming experience. Spend the afternoon immersed in your favourite video games, challenge friends in epic tournaments, and explore new worlds together.

Whether you're a casual player or a gaming pro, there's excitement for everyone.



Mary Davies Library and Community Centre

Tuesday 22 April

Candle Making Workshop

10am - 11.30am | Ages 12 - 17

Get creative with candles that look like cake in this one-of-a-kind workshop. Design your own decorative candles with delicious cake designs. Perfect for adding a personal touch to your space or gifting to others. Sweet fun and crafty vibes all in one.



Rockingham Youth Centre

Rockingham SKATEPARK SERIES

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Tuesday 22 April

She/Her Skate Scooter and BMX Clinic
1pm - 3pm | All ages

Roller-skating Clinic
3pm - 5pm | All ages

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Cooloongup Skate Park

Rockingham SKATEPARK SERIES

Cooloongup Skate Park Competition

Thursday 24 April

Combined Skate, Scooter and BMX Competition
12pm - 6pm | All ages

Ready to wrap up an epic season at the skate park? Whether you're scootering, skateboarding, roller-skating, or riding BMX, our final event is the perfect chance to showcase what you've learned.

Free sausage sizzle, activities and prizes to give away on the day.



Cooloongup Skate Park



April School Holiday Program



All activities are FREE



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City of Rockingham

Rockingham Senior High School is proud to be working in partnership with local business and industry to improve educational opportunities for students

