

Diary Dates

Last day of Term 2, 2025	4 July
Term 2— 2025 Students return	21 July
Science Week	11 Aug— 15 Aug
Pupil Free Day	22 Aug
Interhouse Athletics Carnival	18 Sept Proposed date
Last day of Term 3	26 Sept

Farewell from the Principal

As I prepare to conclude my time as Principal of Rockingham Senior High School, I am filled with a deep sense of pride, gratitude, and reflection. Over the past 14 years, I have had the privilege of witnessing the growth of thousands of students from Year 7 through to Year 12, and of working alongside a passionate and committed community that truly embodies our school's moral purpose: **REAL – Respect, Engage, Achieve, Learn.**

These four pillars have guided every step of our journey. They have shaped our culture, informed our decisions, and inspired our progress. They are not just values we speak about—they are values we live.

- **Respect** has been the foundation of our relationships, fostering a safe and inclusive environment where every voice matters.
- **Engage** speaks to the active participation of our students, staff, families, and partners in shaping a dynamic and responsive learning community.
- **Achieve** reflects the high expectations we hold for every student, and the many accomplishments—academic, vocational, and personal—that we have celebrated together.
- **Learn** is our shared commitment to growth, curiosity, and lifelong discovery.

I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to our students, whose energy, creativity, and resilience have been a constant source of inspiration. You are the reason we do what we do, and your journeys have brought meaning and joy to my role.

To our staff—thank you for your trust, your professionalism, and your unwavering belief in our shared vision. The faith you have shown in me has been my proudest achievement. Together, we have made significant progress around our three school priorities, that have been the driving force of the last 3 business plans, and I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to lead alongside you.

To our families and carers—thank you for your support, your partnership, and your belief in the potential of our young people. Your engagement has helped shape a school culture that is inclusive, respectful, and future-focused.

To our local primary schools—**Bungaree, Rockingham Beach, Hillman, and Coo롱gup**—thank you for your collaboration and support. Your commitment to shared values and smooth transitions has strengthened our educational community and laid the foundation for student success.

To our community partners, especially those involved in the **PACT and KIC collaborative**, and to the many **local businesses** who have supported our students through financial scholarships, in-kind contributions, and work placements—thank you. Many of you choose to work exclusively with our students because of the strong relationships we’ve built, and your support has opened doors and created real-world opportunities that have changed lives.

A special thank you to our School Board Chair, **Patchara Weggers**, whose leadership over the past 10 years has been instrumental in guiding our strategic direction. Her wisdom, support, and dedication have been invaluable, and I am deeply grateful for her partnership.

Looking ahead, I am excited for the future of Rockingham SHS. The **\$60 million building program** is a testament to our shared vision and commitment to excellence. New facilities—including a **state-of-the-art gymnasium, Design and Technology and Home Economics spaces**, and a dedicated **Arts and IT block**—will transform the learning experience. The **conversion of our current gym into a 250-seat theatre and dance room** will further enrich our creative and performing arts programs.

Among the many proud moments I’ve experienced, two stand out: our **50th anniversary celebration**, which honoured our rich history and community spirit, and the **construction of our new cafeteria**, a space that has become a vibrant hub for students and staff alike.

As I step away from my role, I do so with immense pride in what we have achieved together. Rockingham Senior High School is a place of possibility, purpose, and promise. I am confident that the school will continue to thrive, guided by the values we hold dear and the strength of our community.

Thank you for allowing me to be part of your journey. It has been an honour to serve as your Principal, and I will carry the memories of this time with me always.

Best wishes,

Stan Koios
Principal



STUDENT SERVICES TEAM

Term 2 has come and gone! It has been a busy, productive and exciting one within the Student Support Officers in Student Services. This term we've had many highlights!

Our Year 7 – 10 house leaders have been working closely with the Student Support Officers on developing leadership skills, building comradery with one another and raising their profile around the school. Some of the things they have been involved in include helping run the weekly house activities during recess and lunch, reading the daily notices over the PA and assisting the PBS team with PBS Thursday and handing out rewards. We have loved seeing the hard work, growth and passion within these young leaders.

Our house activities continued to run with weekly Kahootz quizzes, volleyball & board ball in the gym, arts and crafts and board games in the buddy zone. We have seen so many students come and participate and engage in these activities building excitement and consistency amongst each other.

For our Term 2 focus week we launched Healthy Relationships Week during week 8. This having a major focus on the relationships around us and within our community. We had so many amazing initiatives that week. This included a pancake & milo breakfast where staff cooked and engaged in conversation with our students, external providers came and spoke to different year groups around the importance of healthy relationship, staff vs students lunch time activities and so much more.

We're grateful for all that Term 2 was, but we are even more excited for what Term 3 and the second half of the year holds for our amazing students at Rockingham Senior High School.

Matt, Di, Luke & Ange.



RUGBY ACADEMY

The Rugby League Academy has had a very busy and exciting Term 2 across all year groups, with inter-school competitions, carnivals, and special NRL events enriching the experience for all involved. We were also fortunate to welcome NRL personalities to Rockingham during Week 8, as part of the **State of Origin** festivities and the **Dolphins vs Knights** game week.

We kicked off the term with our **Year 7/8 Inter-School Carnival**, playing 9-a-side Rugby League. This marked the first opportunity for our Year 7 students to compete as a team, putting their Term 1 learning into practice. After a slow start, they found their rhythm and strung together a series of wins to finish **1st overall**—a fantastic debut for our youngest cohort! Our Year 8 team continued their impressive form, also going **undefeated** and finishing **1st overall**, setting the tone for their campaign in the NRL WA Schoolboys competition.

Next up was our **very first Girls' Inter-School Carnival**, also playing 9-a-side. The teams were a mix of experienced players and first-timers, and it was amazing to see the energy, smiles, and positive spirit on display. Our combined **Year 7/8 team finished 2nd**, while the **Year 9/10 team placed 3rd**—a remarkable achievement for their first outing, and a sign of exciting things to come.

We also had the **Year 9/10 Inter-School Carnival**, where both Rockingham teams faced some tough competition but rose to the challenge, finishing the day **1st overall** in both year groups. These carnival results mean all our Year 7–10 Academy teams are well positioned heading into Term 3, where a finals format will determine the **2025 champions**.

Our regular **NRL WA Schoolboys** fixtures faced some disruptions due to a packed NRL calendar, but Term 2 still provided some unforgettable opportunities. In Week 8, our students took part in a **Beach Touch Carnival**, with NRL legend **Brad Fittler** in attendance. Our **Year 7 SSP students** also enjoyed a visit from Dolphins development staff, who ran engaging sessions on **NRL pathways** and **team-building strategies**.

A highlight of the term was the **Primary School Gala Day**, where a selection of our **Year 10–12 students** coached, refereed, played, and trained alongside NRL WA and Dolphins staff. They gained hands-on experience and insight into the broader opportunities available through Rugby League, both on and off the field.

We are incredibly fortunate to have NRL professionals take time out of their busy schedules to share their knowledge and inspire the next generation of talent in Western Australia.

RUGBY ACADEMY

Finally, we held our **first round of Year 6 trials** for the 2026 Year 7 Academy intake. We were thrilled with the excellent turnout of both boys and girls. It's fantastic to see so many young players eager to develop their skills through the **RSHS Rugby League Academy**, including many trying the sport for the first time. With the exciting news of the **Perth Bears NRL team joining the competition in 2027**, the future of Rugby League in WA is looking brighter than ever—and Rockingham will continue to play a key role as a thriving talent hub for years to come.



ACE PROGRAM

ACE Students ACE their exams!

Year 8-10 Academic Curriculum Extension (ACE) students and the ACE Aspirant classes recently completed exams for all four MESH subjects (Mathematics, English, Science and Humanities). It was the first time exams were held in the Richard Draper Auditorium! Under the watchful eye of chief exam supervisor Mr Foo, with the help of many staff, students completed exams of up to two hours long to assess their skills and knowledge from the semester. These important exams are also helpful to prepare students well for the academic rigour of ATAR examinations in upper school. Students are to be commended for their positive attitude and dedication to their studies over the semester. We hope all our academic students enjoy a restful break over the holidays and prepare well for their upcoming semester of studies.

Year 8 ACE Camp at Point Peron

Twenty-five Year 8 ACE students recently participated in a three-day camping program at Camp Fairbridge, Point Peron. Whilst only 10 minutes from school, students enjoyed the opportunity to relax after exams whilst learning key skills in resilience, teamwork, and self-management. The Murdoch University Outreach Program ran several workshops extending the curriculum in fun and engaging workshops such as Gardens of the Galaxy, Creative Writing, Criminology and Mathematics at the Movies. Other activities included rock climbing, crate climb, archery orienteering and fun team building tasks with Mr Hughes and Mr Koios! Thanks to Mr Smith, and all the staff who attended to make the camp possible. It was a great final celebration of this semester's ACE program.





MANDURAH SHOWROOM

Term 2 Holidays Opening Hours

Closed from Friday 4th July to Monday 14th July

Monday 14th July	CLOSED
Tuesday 15th July	8am - 4pm
Wednesday 16th July	9am - 5pm
Thursday 17th July	9am - 5pm
Friday 18th July	CLOSED
Saturday 19th July	9am - 1pm
Monday 21st July	8am - 4pm

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



Comet Bay College



Golden Bay Primary School



Rockingham Senior High School



Mandurah Catholic College

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

TRANSPERTH UPDATE

Please be advised of changes to Transperth bus services commencing on Monday 21 July 2025.

Students can find information on changes specific to each school [here](#).

Transperth is also changing timetabled bus services that operate to stations between Rockingham and Mandurah. Students that transfer at these stations for onwards bus journeys should plan their journey. More information on these changes including the routes affected can be found [here](#).

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

