

ROSE BAY HIGH SCHOOL

Educating for a clean green future

Rose Bay gets a facelift

ROSE Bay High School turned 40 last year and needed a bit of a face lift.

The school's \$1.4 million redevelopment is well under way with the completion of the science prep room.

A large storeroom next to the library has also been transformed into a computer lab.

All of the science labs are on the refurbishment agenda.

The gym will be getting new toilets and two additional classrooms.

Teachers and students of speech and drama are also

happy to see their part of the school prioritised for an overhaul.

Things are also heating up in the home economics area with a complete refitting in modern stainless steel.

"This will be a great improvement," assistant principal Ian Smith said.

"It's a bit '60s at the moment."

Rose Bay High has received recognition for being supportive of all students. Installing ramps will make it much easier for people with disabilities to move around the school.



Grade 9 student Casey Dempster and science teacher Alistair Primrose toast the new science preparation room with Fred the skeleton.

Getting dirty and green



Grade 9 science student Tom Mullavey tests the waters.

SCHOOLS are usually about classrooms and books but students of Rose Bay High School are getting their hands dirty as they learn about the environment.

SOSE teacher Greg Sawyer turned his classroom into a tip and recycling depot. Students learnt about the effects of poor rubbish control on endangered species and the environment.

Rose Bay has also started a recycling program which seems to be doing fantastically well in the first months of its use.

The Science and SOSE departments have come together this year to make the school a better supporter of the environment.

Rose Bay is definitely doing that by helping protect the Swift Parrot by growing native seedlings such as bluegums and bottlebrush.

The school is replanting trees at the front of the school to get back the bush that existed before it was cut down about 20 years ago.

Rose Bay has also been working on Air Watch near the Tasman Bridge, Water Watch of Kangaroo Bay rivulet and growing native grasses.

Head of science Alistair Primrose said: "By making all students aware of what they can do individually, they can help as a community to take care of the environment."



Mental Hazard members Andrew Turnbull, left, Gary Mourant and Jamie Guajardo.

ON July 19, Mornington City Gate held the first heat of the Southern Tasmanian Rock Challenge.

This special event brought the schools and the Hobart community together, showcasing youth music talent.

The community gets to experience developing music talent and the results of our education system.

Rose Bay High School bands get exposure to the wider community and ex-

This band's influence: Slim Dusty

perience of actual performance.

Rose Bay High had a very special entry, Mental Hazard — one of the school's best bands.

Mental Hazard's line-up is Andrew Turnbull (bass), Gary Mourant (guitar and

lead vocals) and Jamie Guajardo (drums).

"We mostly play at school," said Gary.

"But we once set up outside Jamie's house and played."

As yet, Mental Hazard have written only three songs of their own but advise that there is more to come.

"We are influenced by Slim Dusty," Jamie said.

"We would like to go on with our musical careers."

Keeping the mobile covered

ROSE Bay High School's bright students are stepping out into the big and crazy world of business with their very own enterprise: mobile phone covers.

As technology advances, the call for individuality is also increasing.

The students themselves will design these wacky and unique covers and customers will be able to purchase them at Salamanca Market.

A large variety of designs will be available.

A group of year 10 students created the business enterprise as their choice for the Young Achievers project.

Young Achievers was set up by the Federal Government and is run within Australian high schools.

The project encourages senior high school students to set up and independently run an enterprise.

Each group consists of a community sponsor who provides the group with financial and advertising needs.

The students' job is to plan and create a product of their choice with the assistance of a small community church group, the church group providing invaluable voluntary support to the students.

The students gain an experience of the real business world, often more meaningful than learning from textbooks.

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