During the last few weeks there have been many extracurricular activities organized by the students and staff at Rutherglen High School. These activities provide opportunities for our students to be involved in organizational, leadership, sporting and Performing Arts programmes in addition to their normal programme and are a very important part of the education that we provide for our students. All of the extracurricular programs that we have run in recent times have received much appreciated help from some of our parents. I cannot emphasise enough the importance of the contribution that parents can make to the implementation of a broad and relevant curriculum. We really value the assistance and input that our parents bring to the operation of our school programmes.

**Senior Formal**

The Senior formal was held on Thursday, 20th August at the Memorial Hall. The evening was a great success with around 100 students and guests arriving in their finery and dancing the evening away. Lyn Kerr and the PT&CA team provided food and supervision was provided by parents, teachers and members of the Rotary Club of Rutherglen. Current and ex-students Nathan and Chris Hiskins, Jarrod Whitaker, Paddy Russell and Brendan Ryder (pictured) provided the great live music.

Thank you to everyone who made the evening a success and especially School Captains Sallie Hanlon and Mitchell Stephenson who did a large proportion of the organizational work. Chris and Wayne Hanlon have given up a lot of time for several formals in a row but given that Sallie is in Year 12 this year this will be their last formal – special thanks to them. The best dressed people on the night were judged to be Jess Laing and Joshua Ellis (pictured).

**Senior Girls Hockey**

The Senior girls Hockey Team competed in the State final on Thursday 27th August. The team was undefeated but drew all three of their matches. As a result they did not take out the State Flag but are to be congratulated for a fantastic team effort. Our school was supported by as many parents as there were players. A detailed report of the day will be published in our next newsletter.

Last Friday 28th August at 7.30pm we showcased how talented our students are in the areas of acting, dancing, music and backstage production (props, lighting and sound). We definitely discovered some shining stars.
The Memorial Hall was full and the many parents, family members and friends who attended enjoyed a variety of entertainment. A big thank you to our Director, Connor Schmetzer and her production team who made this possible.

Brooke Rasmussen and her hospitality students added something extra special to the night – decorating tables and providing delicious finger food and supper.

Thank you to all of the other staff and community members who were involved in bringing this production together, especially Peter Scott, Megan Lutz, Brendan Ryder, Ron Webb and Jenna Collins.

A DVD of the night is now available from the school for $5.

Year 12 Trial Exams

Year 12 VCE students will have their trial exams on Wed 16th—Fri 18th September. These exams are an important part of our senior students’ preparation for their final exams in late October and early November.

If your son or daughter is preparing for this final phase of their Secondary Education please assist them to utilise their time wisely and ensure that they are doing adequate exam preparation at home, getting enough sleep and maintaining a healthy balance of study, work, sport and relaxation.

Ellen Rankin
Acting Principal
Follow Your Rainbow
An Enrichment Program for the September School Holidays
Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th of September 2009

What?
An Enrichment Program offering amazing extension activities across all learning areas.

Who?
The Program is for any student in years five to year ten.

Where?
The Program will be based at Yarrawonga Secondary College.

How much?
Cost is $110 for the two days. (Including Lunch, Morning and Afternoon tea and a sensational show bag as a keepsake of the event).

How do I get there if I live in the Rutherglen or Cobram area?
A bus will be provided to pick up and drop off at Cobram and Rutherglen on both days free of charge.

I'm going; how do I enrol?
Complete the attached permission form. Be quick there is a strict limit of 120 participants and applications close on Friday 11th of September 2009.

Activities Include:
- Author: Scott Gardiner
- Polynesian Dancing
- Poet: Myron Lysenkow
- Soccer
- Ultra light Experience
- Body Percussion
- Classical Music
- Hip Hop
- Sculpting
- Koori Artist
- Key Note Speaker: Tania DeJong
- Cartoonist: Tony Sowersby
- Storyboard Character
- Computer Game Design

Attention:
Students In Years Five to Ten

Contact person: Jim Gillies
Yarrawonga Secondary College
0357441751
Jeff again visited Rutherglen H.S on Wednesday 2 September. He met with all our Year 8's and some Year 7's and spoke about his passion for music, art and writing and illustrating books. He then worked with all our Year 8's in two group workshops where they were introduced to Jeff's 'quick and cruel' method of drawing, where you choose a feature on the face and exaggerate it. Some brave kids were drawn by Jeff, but then the tables turned when Jeff was drawn by a few.

DID YOU ENJOY JEFF’S VISIT?
Yes, he wasn’t just the same old author, he did art, music and he’s a 

WHAT WAS YOUR HIGHLIGHT?
Telling us what he does and how he got there and when he drew people on the whiteboard……His art

Rutherglen United Cricket Club—Barkly Park

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<td>Subs paid before 1st November will be discounted to amount in brackets. Families with 2 or more players a further maximum discount of $10 will apply.</td>
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Corowa Federation Monthly Market

Craft, produce, and second-hand goods.

Spring plant and father's day market

**Sunday 6th September**

**8am – 1pm**

Bangerang Park

With a large variety of plant and garden maintenance stalls there is something for everyone to be inspired by to get out in the garden. Also there is a load of creative stalls to search through to find that unique gift for dad on his special day. So, bring your father down for a great day out with food and drinks like pancakes, cappuccinos, and wood fire oven pizzas available throughout the morning.

Corowa Federation Monthly Markets is also on the look out for some helpful volunteers. We are working hard every month to bring new and exciting events to the township by it is a hands on process. So, if you are able to donate your time one Sunday morning a month please give Krystal or Janet a call on 04 2726 7692.

Stall sites are still available. For more information please feel free to call Krystal or Janet on 04 27COROWA (26 7692).
DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday 9th September
Year 9 into 10, 2010 Information Evening

Wednesday 9th September
O & M Athletics

Monday 14th September
Year 12 Exam Week

Friday 18th September
Last day Term 3
School finishes 2.30pm

STUDENT EXCHANGE AUSTRALIA 2010

In January and February 2010 Student Exchange Australia will welcome a new group of international exchange students to Australia. Our new arrivals will live with a host family and attend school for a semester or a year.

As we plan for their arrival, we are keen to hear from suitable families who might be interested to host a student. Please note that all our host families are interviewed in their homes and carefully checked for suitability.

You can download the newsletter notice in Word format or in PDF format.

Student Exchange Australia is a not-for-profit secondary exchange organisation which is registered with education authorities in each State and Territory. You can find out more about our organisation by visiting www.studentexchange.org.au.

If you have any questions you can either respond to this email or call our office on 1300 135 331.

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