

RICHMOND RIVER HIGH CAMPUS NEWSLETTER



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NAIDOC WEEK - Our Languages Matter

Year 7 NAIDOC Day

The Year 7 NAIDOC Day commenced with a Smoking Ceremony led by Uncle Gilbert. Throughout the day students were engaged with Aboriginal culture through language. Uncle Gilbert and Uncle Glen spoke of the importance of language in Aboriginal culture. Students enjoyed cooking a Johnny Cake. Uncle Roy explained how to catch grubs in Widjabul Wiyabul. Drama activities involving animal names proved very popular. Thanks to our visitors and staff for making this such an enjoyable and valuable learning experience.

Paula Moverley
HT Administration



NAIDOC Assembly

On Wednesday, we had our NAIDOC Assembly celebrating this year's theme – Our Languages Matter. Thanks to Shane Dargin and Chloe Willis for leading the assembly. In the Welcome to Country, Aunty Thelma James spoke of the importance of language to culture. The keynote address by Uncle Glen Rhodes gave the audience an insight into the demise of languages and the importance of maintaining Aboriginal languages. Ms Mary-Jane Pell presented John Brady-Corowa with his Nanga Mai Award. Chloe Willis sang an original composition, to the delight of the assembly. Well done to all the dancers of The Rivers Aboriginal Performing Arts Ensemble for their performance.

Paula Moverley
HT Administration



Principal News

We have a lot going on at the moment with some anticipated major changes to the way we do our financial business at school. Three of the office staff and I are currently undergoing training to introduce LMBR to RRHC.

First message is that we need you to pay your student's subject fees as a matter of urgency. With this request I am not referring to the Voluntary Contributions, which are exactly that, voluntary, but to the fees associated with each subject which are generally required to purchase consumable items to allow your young person to take part in the learning. This is of particular importance to young people currently making their subject selections for Year 11 2018, as we are very unlikely to hold a place in a high fee paying elective if there is not a precedence of payment.

Second message is that if your student is involved in the Great Keppel trip you will need to pay the final payment by the due date or we will be unable to process the payment due to our old systems being shut down the day after the due date in readiness for our 'go live' date for the new system.

Could I also please reinforce the message the police are currently giving through regular fines, please do not drop your young people in the Lake Street bus zone or the Disabled Parking spot or any of the areas where there is a 'No Stopping' sign. You will be caught and I believe the fine is hefty. This is a police matter not a school matter and we are not aware the police are coming until we see them out the front. The official drop off zone is at the back of the school in Alexandra Parade. You can also drop off in Lake Street but it must be on the southern side of the road and only if there is a safe place to pull off the road.

I hope you have a lovely weekend and the sun keeps shining.

Mary-Jane Pell

Principal

Relieving Deputy Principal News

A big thank you to Head Teachers, Year 10 students and parents for engaging in the process of subject selections in preparation for their HSC. The amazing turnout of parents to the information night was outstanding and it is excellent to see students engaging in such a conscientious manner in the subject selection process. The interviews will continue into next week and if parents require any information, please contact the school.

Parent/Teacher Night for senior students will occur on Tuesday afternoon, 3:30pm-6:30pm, at Lismore High Campus. There is a map of Lismore High Campus with parking areas shown, and a 'how to book' information page following in this newsletter. Please ensure that if you require a booking that you book before 2pm on Tuesday afternoon with relevant staff. We look forward to seeing you there, as it is imperative that we have clear communication as students enter the later stages of their HSC and students move from Preliminary to HSC.

Year 8 students need to be starting to think about possible electives for Year 9 and to be discussing this with their teachers and parents, so that wise choices can be made.

Luke Woodward

Relieving Deputy Principal



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The heart of secondary education for Lismore

Dear Parents and Carers

Richmond River High Campus will transition to the new NSW Public Schools' finance system and a new bank account on **4 September 2017**.

To ensure a smooth transition, there will be changes to the way we accept payments from parents and carers.

With this change, there is also an obligation for schools to chase up and collect any outstanding subject fees prior to 25th August 2017. To ensure a smooth rollover from one system to the next, we are re-issuing invoices with this letter and expect payments will be made promptly.

1. **EFTPOS payments:** We will not be able to accept EFTPOS payments between **25 August and 5 September 2017**. Please ensure that you have made any outstanding EFTPOS payments before **25 August, 2017**. From **5 September 2017**, EFTPOS payments will be accepted as before.
2. **Cash and cheque payments:** Between **25 August 2017** and **5 September 2017**, we will also not be able to accept payments by cash or cheque as we prepare to close our current bank account and transition to the new one. Please ensure that you have made any outstanding cash or cheque payments before **25 August 2017**. From **5 September 2017**, cash and cheque payments will be accepted as before.
3. **Online payments (POP):** As of **25 August 2017**, payments to our current online payment facility will cease. You will not be able to use the Department of Education's Parent Online Payment (POP) system until **Wednesday 6 September**.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we transition to our new finance system. If you have any questions, please contact us on 6621 3456.

Regards

Ms Mary-Jane Pell

19/06/2017

NSW Public Schools Boccia Knockout Competition

On Friday 16 June the RRHC Boccia team travelled to Ballina Coast High to compete in the NSW Public Schools Boccia Knockout Competition.

Our team, competed against four other teams and finished a very credible equal second. We were the only team to defeat the eventual winners, TRSC - Lismore High Campus, with one of the highest scoring matches of the competition, 8-3.

Boccia is a Para-Olympic sport and all players must play from a seated position, with able bodied athletes having to kick the 'boules' rather than throw them. The competition is facilitated by Australian Para-Olympic coaches Peter and Sue King. Our students benefitted greatly from their experience during the tournament. The coaches were most impressed with the skills of our players, with every one of our team landing a scoring shot. Nick's star shot was so impressive it stunned the umpire - "...that was an international standard rebound lob!" exclaimed a very impressed Sue King.

I would like to thank the team Captain for her great leadership skills and the caring way she captained and coached her team, Mrs Black for her assistance throughout the day, the Dunoon Sports Club for the use of their mini-bus, and lastly – a big CONGRATULATIONS to all of our students for their wonderful sportsmanship and manners throughout the day – well done!

Ms Savins
Relieving Deputy Principal



Year 8 Personal Interest Projects

This week PIP lessons have centred on the Habit of Mind – Persisting, students were challenged to put together a puzzle made from an Escher drawing. Afterwards students reflected on how they went about completing the puzzle. Projects are due in Term 3 Week 3 so students have five weeks to complete their project. Parents and Carers please discuss your child's project with them and encourage them to show persistence with this endeavour, thank you.

Louise Seccombe
Teacher-Librarian



Year 11 and 12 Parent/Teacher Night

The Combined Parent/Teacher Night will be held on Tuesday 27 June 3.30pm-6.30pm at Lismore High Campus



THE EASY WAY TO BOOK **SCHOOL INTERVIEWS**



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The heart of secondary education for Lismore

Combined Stage 6 Parent/Teacher Night

Kadina High Campus

Richmond River High Campus

Lismore High Campus

Dear Parents,

Parent/Teacher interviews **for all year 11 and 12** will be held at the **Lismore High Campus**, Dalley St from **3:30pm to 6:30pm on Tuesday 27th June 2017**. Bookings must be finalised by 2:00pm that day, when bookings for this event will close.

For parents that do not have internet access, computer kiosks will be available at the Reception of each campus from Wednesday 14th June onwards, for parents to make their own bookings. Parents may also phone their student's home campus to arrange interview times. Students with written permission from parents may also have access to the kiosk. Interviews are strictly 8 minutes and spaces are limited. If you require more time, please contact your teacher directly to make alternative arrangements.

Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow these simple instructions

Simply enter the code
and press "Go"



Enter your details



Select the teachers you wish to see



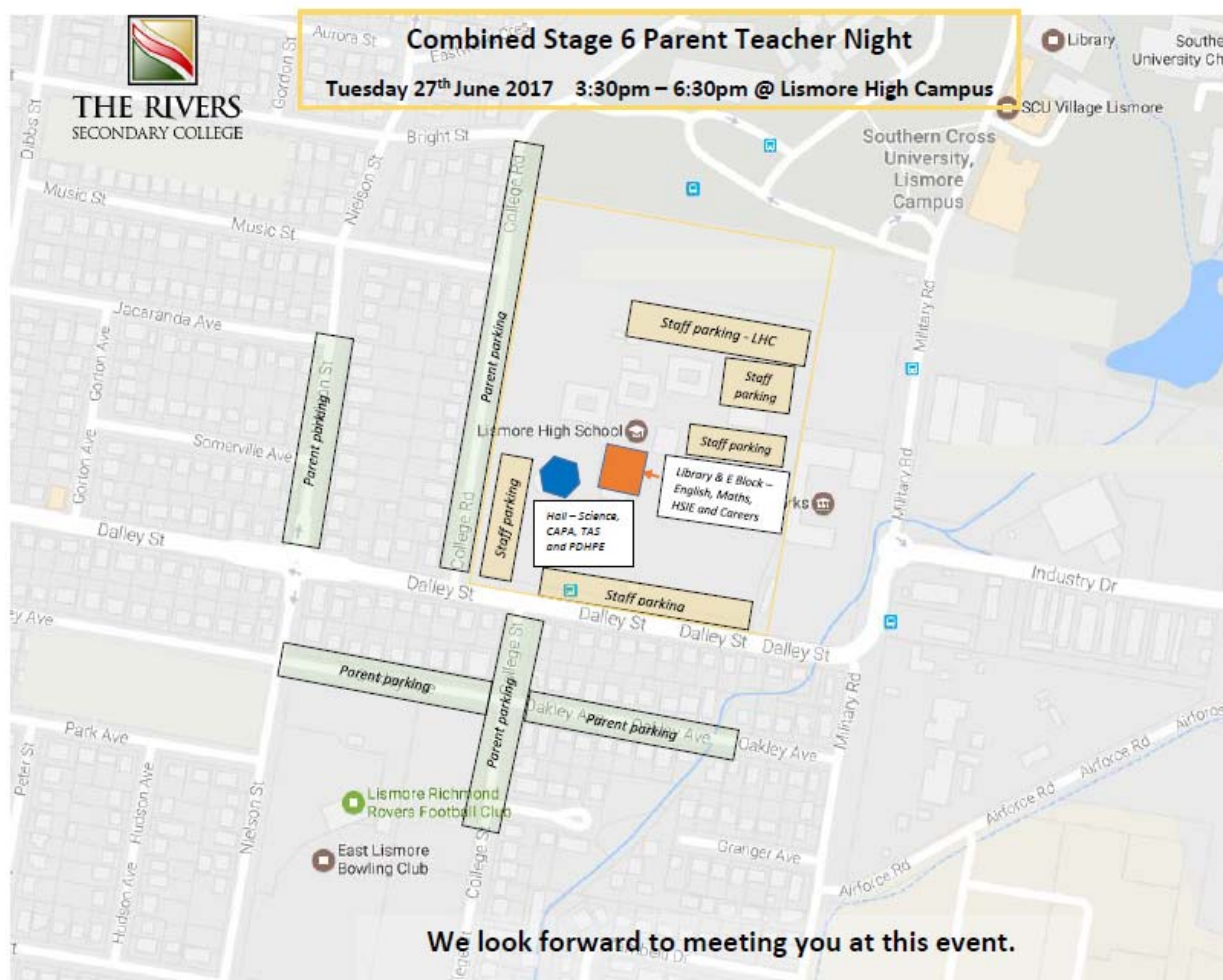
Select the appointment times that suit your family best



When you click **FINISH**, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically. If you do not receive your email immediately. **Check your junk mail folder AND make sure you have spelled your email address correctly.**

You may change your bookings, any time prior to the closing date, by re-visiting the www.schoolinterviews.com.au website, and using the event code. Remember to use the same name and email address, you used when you made your original booking.

Map of Lismore High Campus and available parking is on the next page



Under 15s Bill Turner Trophy

On Wednesday Richmond River High took on Trinity Catholic College in the fourth round of the U/15 Bill Turner Trophy. Our girls started nervously, missing a golden opportunity to take the lead in the first minute. The game then quickly settled with both teams playing a good passing game. Trinity scored after fifteen minutes when a cross found an unmarked player at the far post. Richmond River had few chances in the first half and did well to keep the score at 1-0 heading into half time. Our girls were much more positive in



the second half pressing high up the pitch chasing an equaliser. However, some resolute defending and a counter attack saw Trinity double their lead midway through the second half and run out winners 2-0. Stand-out players for Richmond River were Tyree Wood, Audrey Jones and Bianca Kelly. A special thanks to the SLR football class who helped train the girls and assisted on the day.

John Eakin
PDHPE Teacher

The Rivers College Ancient History Excursion to Sydney

Year 11 and 12 Ancient History students from both Kadina High Campus and Richmond River High Campus braved the arduous twelve hour train trip to Sydney to be immersed in the Ancient world for two days. On arrival, after a rushed breakfast, we headed out to Macquarie University to visit the Museum of Ancient Cultures to be entertained for a couple of hours by the Museum Director, Karl Van Dyke's, wealth of knowledge. Max experienced being dressed as a Hoplite (Spartan soldier), whilst Karl demonstrated the use of Spartan weaponry. We viewed the museum's magnificent collection, and classified ancient artefacts. After a quick lunch break we visited the Nicholson Museum at the University of Sydney. We were guided through the museum collection – viewing a range of displays from mummified Egyptian remains to a Lego model of Pompeii. We were again fortunate to hold and classify ancient artefacts.

On Friday the Year 11 students went with Larry Polak to The Big Dig Education Centre at The Rocks, whilst the Year 12 students accompanied me to the History Teachers Association HSC Study Day held at the University of Sydney. The program at The Big Dig involved the students using written and archaeological sources to investigate the lives of people living in The Rocks during the 19th Century. Meanwhile Year 12 attended four informative lectures relating to their HSC program of study.

We were fortunate to be in Sydney during the Vivid light display, so after dinner on Friday we took the train to Circular Quay to see the light designs projected on the buildings surrounding the harbour.

Saturday morning before we flew home we visited a Pompeii exhibition at the Australian National Maritime Museum. The artefacts displayed were awe inspiring – replicas of plaster casts capturing the moments of death, carbonised bread from AD79 and 24 carat gold jewellery. To me this was the highlight of the trip.

Even though we were all exhausted on arriving back to Ballina, a fun and educational time



was had by all. I would like to thank Larry Polak for accompanying us and immersing himself in Ancient History, even though it is not his subject area, and all the students for their excellent behaviour and maturity throughout the excursion.

Kim Sheldon
HSIE Teacher

Brainstorm Productions



Years 7 and 8
Friday 30 June 2017

'Verbal Combat' is a performance that uses educational theatre to tackle Cyber Bullying. 'Verbal Combat' specifically addresses issues such as cyber bullying, digital citizenship, legal ramifications, exclusion, rumours, threats, bystanders, insults, alienation, safety and resilience.

CALENDAR

Week B

26 June

Year 11 SLR Coaching Clinic

27 June

Rivers College Senior Parent/Teacher

Afternoon - Lismore High Campus

Year 11 Reports to students

HSC Business Studies Study Day

NAIDOC Cup Oz Tag

28 June

29 June

Zone Athletics

30 June

Years 7-10 Reports to students

'Verbal Combat' production

'Coranderk' performance

End of Term 2

CANTEEN ROSTER

26 June

Help needed

27 June

Meryl Condon

28 June

Help needed

29 June

Dorothy Tan

30 June

Help needed

If you can help, please phone
Kathy Claydon on 6621 4890.



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Canteen: 6621 4890

We would like to respectfully acknowledge the Elders past and present of the Wiyabal Wiyabal people and other peoples of Bundjalung Nation. We acknowledge that they are the first peoples of this land on which our school stands.

To view all current events at
Richmond River High Campus, please
refer to our Facebook page at:

[RRHC Facebook](#)

(you do not have to have an account on
Facebook to access our page)

Or alternatively go to our web site and
click on the link at the bottom of the
page. Please let us know if you have
problems accessing it.

Canteen Specials Week 10

Monday 26 June

Orange chicken with egg noodles and stir fry
vegetables

Tuesday 27 June

Chicken or vegetable Thai red curry - \$5



Thursday 29 June

Lamb roast with baked vegetables

Friday 30 June

Pesto pasta or creamy chicken and bacon
pasta



Large \$6 Small \$4

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Be strong, you never know
who you are
inspiring" (Unknown)

RICHMOND RIVER HIGH CAMPUS

CAN YOU HELP?

FRIENDS OF RRHS.
CAN YOU SPARE 2 HOURS
FROM YOUR DAY
TO HELP IN THE CANTEEN?

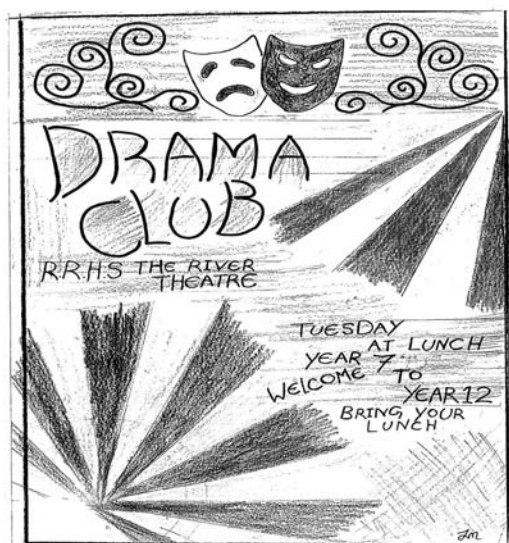
EVERY LITTLE
BIT COUNTS

CALL KATHY CLAYDON ON
6621 4890



Year 11 Snow Excursion payment due
Payments for the snow excursion need to be finalised by the end of this Term. The total for this excursion is \$930.

Emma Turner
PDHPE Teacher



Knit & Chat



Wednesday Lunch in Library

ALL Welcome

In support of "Wrapped With Love" charity



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Breakfast Club
Every day
8.15-8.50am
Chill Out Room
All welcome
No charge



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Attention all Parents and Carers

Our newsletter is published every Friday and is uploaded onto our website:

www.richmondri-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

and emailed to parents whom we have received their email addresses. We do not provide paper copies unless specifically requested by parents and the students need to come up to the front office to collect a paper copy at 3.15pm on Friday afternoons.

ATTENTION All Parents/Carers



You can now purchase school uniforms online from Lowes.

It is free delivery for orders over \$100 and you can exchange sizes at the shop if needed. The website is -

www.lowesschoolwear.com.au

www.richmondriverhighcareers.com

I've put together a new website.

UAC/VTAC/QTAC

It's a "One Stop Shop" for everything you need with Career Planning and help.

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LATEST NEWS AND EVENTS

CHECK IT OUT NOW!

WORK EXPERIENCE

Mr Eden Weir

Careers Adviser

DO AN INTERESTS TEST

FIND A JOB

CHOOSE A UNIVERSITY

GAP YEAR

CREATE A RESUME

DEFENCE CAREERS

YOUTH ALLOWANCE



THE BEST WAY TO PREDICT THE FUTURE IS TO CREATE IT



Walanga Muru Early Entry Pathway

Macquarie University is now offering Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students the opportunity to receive an offer into an undergraduate university degree as early as August 2017.

Yes! Pre HSC and ATAR offers!

This opportunity is great for motivated and bright students as well as those who are worried about their ATAR scores, or would like to explore their options and sit their HSC exams without as much stress.

How it works:

Step 1:

Students complete an Early Entry Pathway application form.

Step 2:

Students attend our campus at North Ryde and complete a short assessment.

Walanga Muru is running 6 early entry assessment days, the students can choose to come to any one of these dates:

- 28 June
- 27 to 28 July
- 28 August
- 27 to 28 September
- 28 October
- 28 November

Step 3:

Macquarie University staff will get in touch to let students know their results!

GET IN TOUCH NOW FOR MORE INFORMATION!

Email amelia.corr@mq.edu.au or call (02) 9850 8624.

Our Outreach Team are also available to come out to your school and deliver an Early Entry Pathway presentation, or provide one on one advising to students. Contact amelia.corr@mq.edu.au or taylah.pearce@mq.edu.au to book in for a session.

Apply now

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Tips for Year 10s choosing their HSC courses

01

Choose what you're good at, interested in and which will lay a foundation for your future plans.

02

Choose HSC courses best suited to your ability. Don't choose courses just because of scaling or because you think they will give you a better ATAR.

03

Make the link between your choice now and where you want to go after Year 12.

04

Check if the uni you want to go to (and/or the course you want to do) has prerequisites and assumed knowledge – the UAC Year 10 booklet has all this info.

05

If you want to get an ATAR, make sure you will be eligible.

06

Depending on what you study, marks around 70 in the HSC could lead to an ATAR in the 50s, while marks closer to 80 could lead to an ATAR of 80. This is because most students have marks between 70 and 80 so when you are ranked that group really spreads out.

07

If you are getting marks in the 70s do whatever you can to get closer to 80 – it will make a big difference to your ATAR.

08

Remember that *unis award bonus points for your performance* in particular HSC courses, and usually for Bands 4 and above.

09

If you're not sure what level maths and English to take, choose the level that suits your ability and future plans. You will not necessarily get a higher ATAR just by studying a lower level course, and unis don't always give bonus points for the lower level courses, no matter how well you do. Also check prerequisites in case you need to get a certain performance band.

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To maximise your ATAR you have to make good choices about what to study, work to the best of your ability and work towards your goals for life after school.

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Byron Youth Service is pleased to announce our role as Course Provider for Safer Drivers Course for Learners will continue until June 2020, across the Northern Rivers region. As you may know, Byron Youth Service was instrumental in the delivery of the Safer Drivers Course for Learners and has continuously delivered the courses with the highest level of participant satisfaction since 2013. We are proud to be able to continue our involvement in this important program and to provide you with the same high level of service thanks to our qualified, experienced facilitator and coach. Costs are set at \$140 per student. Should you have any enquiries please contact Stephanie Sims at Byron Youth Service: stephanie@bys.org.au or telephone 02 6685 7777. The next Module 1 course is on the 12th of July from 4.30 to 7.30 at the Byron Youth Activity Centre. To book a course please go to <http://bys.org.au/l-driver-course-4/>



STREET BAND WORKSHOP

WHERE: Northern Rivers Conservatorium Arts Centre
(corner Keen and Magellan Streets Lismore)

WHEN: 12.30pm-4.30pm Saturday 24th June (BEFORE the Lantern Parade)

WHO: Hosted by the Lismore City Concert band with special guest percussion tutor **JAMIE PATUGALAN**.

WHY: For performance in the 2017 Lismore Lantern Parade. Charts provided. Improvisation welcome

WHAT: You will need to bring instruments and costume: black pants and plain coloured t-shirt (also a warm jumper for the end of the parade). Some percussion instruments available

COST: Workshop is \$25. Parade members get entry to **FIERY FINALE**. If you want to join the Parade but not the workshop that's OK please turn up in black pants and plain coloured T-shirt. Please email for charts or further information

CONTACT: Ben van Kleef 0432 575911
benvankleef@yahoo.com.au

Celebrating
NAIDOC 2017
With the whole community

WE INVITE YOU TO CELEBRATE WITH US
Join our celebrations of Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander culture, this years theme is **'Our Language Matters'**

WEDNESDAY 5th JULY 2017
11am - 2pm
STAN PAYNE OVAL EVANS HEAD

ACTIVITIES
Arts & Crafts, Circus, Touch Footy Comp,
Johnny's bush food tasting plates.

Our Languages Matter
2-9 JULY 2017

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Kids HELPLINE 1800 551 800
Lismore HEADSPACE 6625 0200
Mental Health Line 1800 011 511
Beyond Blue 1300 789 978

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Replacing high power consuming Refrigerators and Televisions is a great way to reduce your Energy Bills.
50% subsidy on Fridges and 40% subsidy on Televisions.

HEA is a replacement program offering subsidies to low income households to replace their refrigerator or television.

How to access the program
Register and apply on the portal if you can finance the difference after the subsidy yourself
www.environment.nsw.gov.au/applianceoffer **Limited Offer ends 30 June 2017**
OR
apply for a No Interest Loan (NILS) to finance the difference

For more information please contact
Northern Rivers Community Gateway
02 66217397
76 Carrington Street, Lismore NSW 2480
Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm.

 
eligibility criteria applies



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providing a head start to university study for exceptional students



scu.edu.au/headstart
CRICOS Provider (12015)

Southern Cross University

SCU are now recruiting for Session 1, 2018 (February-June) and registrations are open via www.scu.edu.au/



Future-proof your career
The Griffith STEM Roadshow
Lismore 19 July 2017

griffith.edu.au/sciences-roadshow

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Find out how you can future-proof your career.

"More than 70% of new jobs being created require skills gained through science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) studies. Studying a STEM-related degree will prepare you for a fast changing world, give you more career opportunities and make sure you're always ready for what's next." - Office of the Chief Scientist, Australia's STEM Workforce report.

Join us for an interactive evening and to hear from Griffith University STEM researchers and lecturers, students and support staff to gain an understanding of the exciting programs offered at our Brisbane, Gold Coast and Logan campuses.

Students and their parents can receive advice on how best to place themselves in tomorrow's job market and find out more about the diversity and uniqueness of our STEM programs and how we prepare students for future employment.

Register now

griffith.edu.au/sciences-roadshow

For more information contact damian.harris@griffith.edu.au

Where: The Studio
Lismore City Hall
1 Bounty Street

When: Wednesday 19 July 2017
Time: 5.00 pm Doors open
Cost: FREE

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Expression of Interest Aboriginal Education Officer (AEO) Position

Expressions of interest are invited for the position of Relieving Aboriginal Education Officer at Richmond River High School. The applicant will be required to commence duties at the commencement of Term 3, 2017.

Basic Role Description

The successful applicant will work closely with the teachers, Aboriginal students and their families to develop culturally appropriate resources and programs support improved learning outcomes for Aboriginal students.

The AEO will work with teachers to assist Aboriginal students in achieving their potential and to keep the Aboriginal community informed of students' progress and achievements, and of things like parent meetings, school activities, new programs and other changes.

Selection Criteria

Aboriginal identified position

Understanding of the needs of Aboriginal students in a high school setting.

Knowledge of Aboriginal communities, cultures and the role of the Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (AECG).

Demonstrated ability to interact with Aboriginal parents and families.

Evidence of strong communication and organisational skills.

Knowledge of and commitment to the Departments Aboriginal Education Policies.

How to apply

Applicants are asked to submit an expression of interest addressing the selection criteria (no more than three A4 pages), together with a copy of their resume including work experiences and qualifications (no more than one page).

Applicants **must** include their telephone number, postal address and email address (if applicable) as well as contact details for two referees.

Email EOI to Mary-Jane Pell Mary-jane.Pell@det.nsw.edu.au by
COB 28 June 2017.

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION OFFICERS (AEO's)

Statement of Duties

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Responsible to the Principal or delegate for providing assistance to teachers, Aboriginal students and their families to support improved learning outcomes for Aboriginal students.

Statement of Duties

Working with teachers:

- to assist Aboriginal students in all school activities including excursions
- to discuss with Aboriginal parents the educational progress of their children
- to identify and develop resources to support the learning outcomes of Aboriginal students
- to assist in the development and implementation of personalised learning plans for Aboriginal students
- to support Aboriginal cultural awareness for all students with particular reference to Aboriginal students
- to help maintain effective relationships between Aboriginal parents, the Aboriginal community and school staff.

Working as part of a school team to support students:

- in relation to their school participation and programs
- in relation to their attendance and retention

Liaising with the Principal and staff:

- on protocols for interacting with the Aboriginal community in relation to staff and Aboriginal students in the school and Aboriginal education activities.

Other Duties

Performing other related duties as required by the Principal.

Note: the school must not require an Aboriginal Education Officer to accept responsibility for class management and control, playground supervision or teaching students.