

RICHMOND RIVER HIGH CAMPUS NEWSLETTER



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Principal News

Term 3 is off to a flying start with a professional Learning day for Staff on Monday and the Parent Teacher Night for Years 7 and 9 on Thursday evening. The new booking system for Parent Teacher evening seemed to work well with most interviews running on time with minimised waiting periods for parents and carers. Next Thursday, 27 July, will be the Parent Teacher evening for Years 8 and 10 and the same booking system will apply.

The new timetable for students commenced on Tuesday and if students are experiencing difficulties with this they should see their Year Advisor.

The ongoing saga of fines being issued for parents dropping students off out the front of the school continues. Please be aware the police presence will continue until they have successfully prevented parents and carers dropping their student in the Bus Zone, the Taxi Zone, the No Stopping Zone and the Disability Parking space. My suggestion for front of school drop offs is either the grassy tree-ed area outside the Ag Shed or in Pitt Street near the shelter in McKenzie Park. The advantage of the Pitt Street drop off is that it is rarely congested, there is a footpath the whole way, there are no streets to cross and it is visible from where I am on bus duty. The other alternative is to drop young people off at the back gate in Alexandra Parade. This whole crackdown is beyond our control but the one thing I am grateful for is that it has significantly relieved the congestion out the front in the morning. It can get very busy out there with buses, staff cars, pedestrians and bikes and scooters!

There are many wonderful things happening for our young people this Term, I hope they engage with all opportunities and do their best to enjoy the Term and make the most of their time at school.

Mary-Jane Pell
Principal

Deputy Principal News

Hello RRHC Community, Richmond River Campus is a uniform school which is supported by our school P&C. All students should have black pants, shorts or skirts and either a red or grey school polo or white senior shirt for the top half. Students are not allowed to wear tights unless they are under a skirt or shorts. Jumpers need to be plain red or grey and preferably have the school logo. If you are having financial issues families can access student assistance to purchase uniforms.

If your student is out of uniform for any reason they need a signed note from a Parent/Carer to take to the deputies to get a uniform pass.

Staff were involved in a number of professional learning activities throughout the week. A major focus was faculties looking at ways that they could engage the students, the Discipline Policy and updating staff in health and safety matters. We look forward to sharing examples of this in action throughout the semester.

Thursday 20 July was an opportunity for Parents/Carers of students in Years 7 and 9 to discuss their student's performance with their teachers. Next Thursday, 27 July, we are holding another evening for students in Years 8 and 10. Again we encourage all Parents/Carers to attend. If you are unable to attend please ring the school so we can organise a time with teachers to discuss your student's progress. The online booking system is available, please book.

School can be a much happier and easier place if students get organised and prepared for class. All students at Assembly were led through the steps of classroom procedures and the concepts in our reflective discipline system were explained such as "The Castle" and the "The SAM Room". Students were reminded that the primary focus is learning and that poor behaviour choices cannot get in the way of this focus.

Luke Woodward
Deputy Principal

HSC EXAM READERS AND WRITERS WANTED

We are looking for people who can act as a reader and writer for Year 12 students during Trial HSC Exams in Term 3 and HSC Exams in Term 4, on a voluntary basis. You must have a current working with children check number - <https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check>. Readers and writers require the following skills -

- Ability to communicate clearly in English with sufficient literacy level
- An understanding of subject(s) being examined
- Clear, legible handwriting
- Patience and sensitivity
- Understanding of the need to maintain confidentiality and ability to do so

If interested please contact Susie Hancock- Learning & Support Teacher on 6621 3456.

Year 8 Personal Interest Projects

Presentations will take place in Week 3 – Education Week.

We are looking forward to seeing the projects. Students must be ready on their day, with their project, reflection statement and presentation. Students will be marked on their project, preparation of presentation, eye contact and confidence, content and research and design. Practise your presentation and go well!

Monday - 31 July - 8.3

Tuesday – 1 August - 8.4

Wednesday – 2 August - 8.5

Thursday – 3 August - 8.1

Friday - 4 August - 8.2

Louise Seccombe
Teacher-Librarian



Student Achievement

Reid Gosper has just returned from an international athletics tour. Reid travelled to Canada recently to participate in two athletic meets over a two week period. Against an international field he achieved a best result of 4th. Reid participated in Javelin, Discus and Shot Put. Congratulations.

John Eakin



State Drama Camp - a great opportunity

Each year Drama students from across the State can apply to attend The Arts Unit State Drama Camp. Four students from Year 11 - Belle-Rose Webster, Lucas Mircev-Cox, Jasmine Wilmoth ([The Rivers Secondary College Lismore High Campus](#)) and Taylor Small represented The Rivers Secondary College in Week 10 last Term. They spent their time in Sydney participating in hours of workshops with industry professionals, developing HSC group performances, watching Onstage performances, and attending the acclaimed Broadway musical KinkyBoots.

Jasmine and Taylor, and the group they worked with for the week, have been invited to attend the State Drama Festival later in the year. A fantastic opportunity for all the students involved. Congratulations Belle-Rose, Lucas, Jasmine and Taylor!

Dimity McKinlay
Drama Teacher





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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

Junior Parent Teacher Interviews

Junior Parent Teacher interviews will be held in the MPU .

- Year 8 and Year 10 - Thursday July 27, 3:45-6:30pm

We are now using an online booking system called School Interviews. To make an appointment with your child's teachers please go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au

To book for:

- Year 8 and Year 10 enter the code **yvbs6** and press Go

Once you have logged on:

1. Enter your details
2. Select the teachers you wish to see
3. Select the appointment times that suit your family

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. DO NOT DELETE the email you are sent. You may need to refer back to it.**

You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time and change your interviews, via a link in the email that was sent to you, when you made your bookings - until the bookings close on:

- Years 7 and Year 9 – 20 July at 2pm
- Years 8 and Year 10 - 27 July at 2pm

Parents may also phone the school office to arrange interview times.

Paula Moverley

HT Administration



Aurora College - Applications open for Years 8-10

Aurora College is the NSW Department of Education's virtual selective high school. Established in 2015, Aurora is providing innovative, flexible learning in a whole new context, by allowing students to connect locally and to learn globally.

Aurora offers selective classes in English, Mathematics and Science to gifted and talented Year 7 -10 students from rural and remote areas across NSW. Students are chosen in the same way as students in all other selective classes in NSW government schools.

Applications for entry into Years 8 to 10 (2018) at Aurora College opened 23 June 2017 and close on 25 July 2017.

Information packages and applications are available from the school.

Mary-Jane Pell
Principal



Schools Tree Day

RRHC will again be participating in **National School Tree Day** with a number of trees being planted around the school. Many thanks to Barbara Jansen at Lismore Council, Trenton Baillie (Sales Manager) and Sarah Smith (Owner) at Lismore Toyota.

National Tree Day is Sunday July 30

Pauline Macleod
Science Teacher

From the Careers Adviser SCU Open Days

Southern Cross University

Southern Cross University invites The Rivers Secondary College - Richmond River High Campus students and their parents to our Open Days to sample campus life, and explore study options and career opportunities.

Join us on campus for workshops and presentations, campus tours, food options, live music and entertainment.

Gold Coast campus: Sunday 13 August

Lismore campus: Sunday 20 August

Coffs Harbour campus and National Marine Science Centre: Sunday 27 August

For more information, registration and details on the event programs, please visit scu.edu.au/opendays

SCU STAR Early Entry enables Year 12 students to gain early admission to Southern Cross University on the basis of their school Principal's recommendation. STAR Early Entry matches an individual student to a particular Southern Cross University course based on their likelihood of success in their chosen discipline. Applications for current Year 12 students are now open for study in 2018. For more information, please contact your Career Adviser or refer to scu.edu.au/STAR

Keep up to date with our events by following us at [SCU Future Student Facebook page](#)

Year 12 - A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!

A representative will be here from Southern Cross University at 1:00pm to 1:40pm on Tuesday 15 August in the Library. Please don't be late. Bring your lunch.

There will be a short presentation followed by question time and early entry assistance.

Eden Weir

Careers Adviser

HSC Tips and Advice Nights at Lismore City Library

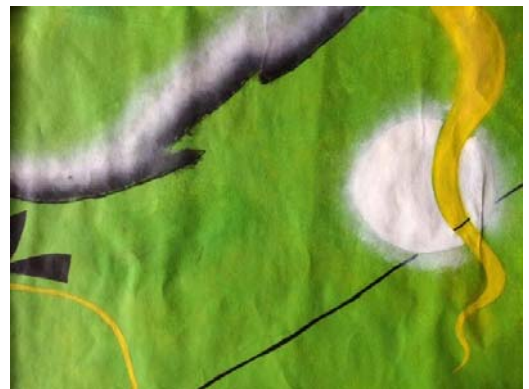
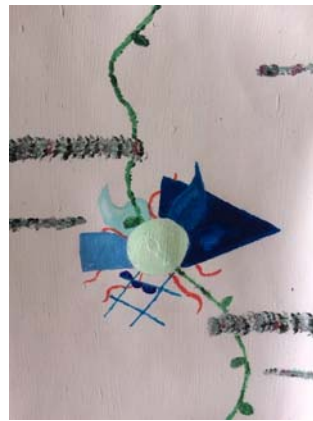
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| Thursday 24 August | 4.30pm - PDHPE Tips for planning for the exam and structuring responses. 5.45pm - Biology | Assistance with your exam preparation from HSC markers. • Free 1-hour sessions. • Questions answered. • Pizza served! |
| Thursday 31 August | 4.30pm - Ancient History Core (Pompeii & Herculaneum) 5.45pm - English | |



Year 10 Art

Last Term Year 10 were learning about the elements of art, and in particular, the abstract style of Kandinsky. These are some examples of their work.

Paula Glenn-Bland
CAPA Teacher



CALENDAR

TERM 3

Week B

24 July

Future Tracks RSA Course

25 July

Future Tracks RSA Course

Summerland Future Options Expo

26 July

Cows Create Careers Dairy Day

WHS White Card Training - Year 11

27 July

Years 8 and 10 Parent Teacher Night

28 July

Schools National Tree Planting Day

Year6 Primary visits

QUOTE OF THE DAY

*"When I started counting my blessings,
my whole life turned around"*

(Willie Nelson)

CANTEEN ROSTER

24 July

Help needed

25 July

Meryl Condon

26 July

Help needed

27 July

Help needed

28 July

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 2

Monday 24 July

Chicken or vegetable korma with rice



Tuesday 25 July

Roast beef rolls with coleslaw - \$5



Thursday 27 July

Beef or bean nachos with fresh salsa and sour cream

Friday 28 July

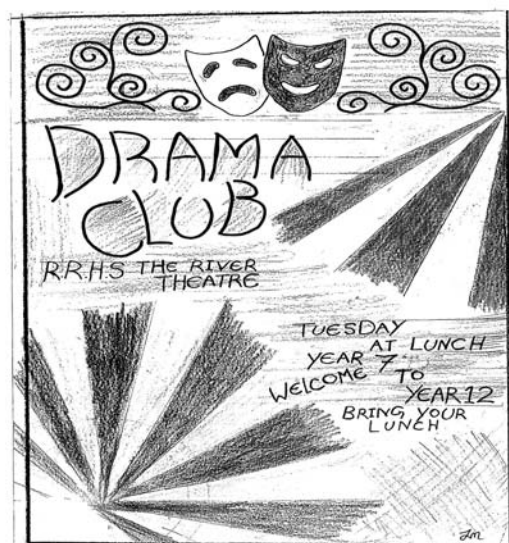
Chicken pesto and pesto pasta



Large \$6 Small \$4

From the Canteen
If anyone has an abundance of
fresh fruit and would like to
donate it to our Canteen, it
would be greatly appreciated.





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 Library to collect a paper copy at 3.15pm on Friday afternoons.

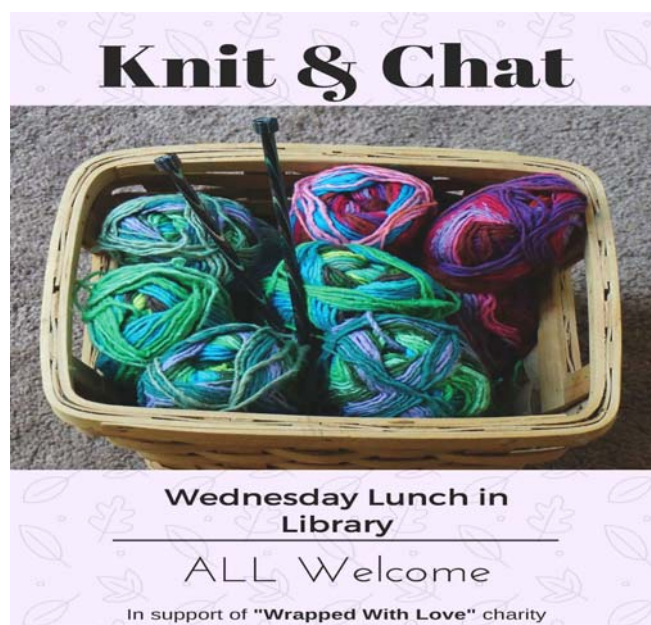
ATTENTION All Parents/Carers



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



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



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**Nationally Consistent
Collection of Data**
School Students with Disability



Information for parents and carers

WHAT IS THE NATIONAL DATA COLLECTION?

The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (the national data collection) is an annual collection that counts the number of school students receiving an adjustment due to disability and the level of reasonable adjustment they are receiving.

The national data collection counts students who have been identified by a school team as receiving an adjustment to address a disability as defined under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (the DDA). The DDA can be accessed from the ComLaw website at www.comlaw.gov.au.

WHAT IS THE BENEFIT FOR MY CHILD?

The aim of the national data collection is to collect quality information about school students receiving an adjustment due to disability in Australia.

This information will help teachers, principals, education authorities and families to better support students with disability to take part in school on the same basis as other students.

The national data collection provides an opportunity for schools to review their learning and support systems and processes to continually improve education outcomes for their students with disability.

WHY IS THIS DATA BEING COLLECTED?

All schools across Australia collect information about students with disability. But the type of information currently collected varies between each state and territory and across government, Catholic and independent school sectors.

When undertaking the national data collection, every school in Australia uses the same method to collect information. Therefore, a government school in suburban Sydney collects and submits data in the same way as a Catholic school in country Victoria and an independent school in the Northern Territory.

The annual collection aims to, over time, lead to nationally consistent, high quality data that will enable schools, education authorities and

governments to gain a more complete understanding of students who are receiving adjustments because of disability in schools in Australia, and how to best support them.

WHAT ARE SCHOOLS REQUIRED TO DO FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY?

All students are entitled to a quality learning experience at school.

Schools are required to make reasonable adjustments, where needed, to assist students with disability to access and participate in education free from discrimination and on the same basis as other students.

These responsibilities are outlined in the DDA and the Disability Standards for Education 2005 (the Standards). The Standards require educators, students, parents and others (e.g. allied health professionals) to work together so that students with disability can participate in education. The Standards can be accessed via the ComLaw website at www.comlaw.gov.au.

WHAT IS A REASONABLE ADJUSTMENT?

A reasonable adjustment is a measure or action taken to help a student with disability access and participate in education on the same basis as other students. Reasonable adjustments reflect the assessed individual needs of the student, and are provided in consultation with the student and/or their parents and carers. Reasonable adjustments can be made across the whole school setting (e.g. ramps into school buildings), in the classroom (such as adapting teaching methods) and at an individual student level (e.g. extra tuition for a student with learning difficulties).

WHAT INFORMATION WILL BE COLLECTED?

Every year your child's school will collect the following information for each student receiving an adjustment due to disability:

- the student's level of education (i.e. primary or secondary)
- the student's level of adjustment
- the student's broad type of disability.






Variety Heart Scholarships are now open!

Variety provides Scholarships to children with an existing talent living with disabilities, chronic illness, geographic isolation and/or financial hardship, to achieve their full potential and to follow their dreams. Scholarships are awarded up to the value of \$5K in areas of Education, Sports and the Arts.

Eligibility

- ♥ Be Australian Citizens or Permanent Residents
- ♥ Live in NSW or ACT
- ♥ Aged between 6 to 18 years
- ♥ Demonstrate an existing talent in one of these areas; The Arts, Sport or Education

How to apply?

- ♥ Apply on our website – variety.org.au/nsw before 27th August 2017

For more info - please get in touch by emailing grants@variety.org.au or call 02 9819 1000




FREE Tuning into Teens

This is a six-session parenting program for parents / caregivers of pre-teens and teens. You will learn to:

- Understand your teen/pre-teen
- Help your teen/pre-teen manage their emotions
- Help prevent behavioural problems
- Assist them in handling conflict
- Assist in conversing and connecting with your teen/pre-teen

Tuning into teens shows you how to help your teen develop emotional intelligence. Teens who understand their emotions:

- have greater success with making and keeping friends
- are able to concentrate easier at school
- are more able to calm down when angry or upset

Emotional intelligence is a better predictor of academic and career success than IQ!

Dates: Wednesdays, August 23rd - September 27th

Time: 6.00pm - 8.30pm

Venue: Headspace,
2A Carrington St, Lismore

Please call to reserve your place.

Contact Belinda: belindaK@interrelate.org.au
phone: 6623 2750 mobile: 0475 817 383

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Do you have a **big idea** that could change the world?

Now is your opportunity to work with some of Australia's top researchers and experience how they develop an idea into something that can shape the future and make the world a better place.

Your ten students and teachers from across Australia will be given the chance to share their big idea and spend a week at the Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation (ANSTO) working alongside some of Australia's best researchers.

Simply submit a video message telling us about your big idea at www.ansto.gov.au/bigideas

Applications close
20 August 2017

Forum dates
6-9 November 2017

Inclusions ✈️ 🍽️ 🏠
All flights, accommodation and meals

More information ⓘ
www.ansto.gov.au/bigideas



www.ansto.gov.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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DO AN INTERESTS TEST

FIND A JOB

CHOOSE A UNIVERSITY

GAP YEAR

CREATE A RESUME

DEFENCE CAREERS

YOUTH ALLOWANCE

Mr Eden Weir
Careers Adviser



THE BEST WAY TO PREDICT THE FUTURE IS TO CREATE IT

Need someone to talk to?

CALL:

Kids HELPLINE 1800 551 800

Lismore HEADSPACE 6625 0200

Mental Health Line 1800 011 511

Beyond Blue 1300 789 978



LEARNING SIGN LANGUAGE IS FUN

Auslan or Australian Sign Language is the language of the Australian Deaf Community. It's a **unique and rich visual language**.

The **beginners course** is taught by everyday users of Auslan who will share the nuances of this beautiful language in a **fun and supportive environment**. You will learn to communicate visually using gestures, body language and facial expressions.

Sign Language 1 Courses – Term 3 2017

| Location | Day & Time | Start | Duration |
|----------|----------------------------|----------|----------|
| Lismore | Mondays, 10:30am – 12:30pm | 31 July | 7 weeks |
| Lismore | Tuesday, 6:30pm – 8:30pm | 1 August | 7 weeks |

Sign Language 2 Courses – Term 3 2017

| Location | Day & Time | Start | Duration |
|----------|---------------------------|----------|----------|
| Lismore | Thursday, 6:30pm – 8:30pm | 3 August | 7 weeks |

LISMORE: Deaf Society Office, 22 Conway Street, Lismore

At only \$195 per person, spaces are filling quickly.

To enrol, visit deafsocietynsw.org.au
or contact us on (02) 8833 3600



The Lismore office is holding Chit Chat sessions suitable for those in high school. Those that have just finished school are welcome also ☺ Identity is important in early adolescence – it is much easier to navigate with friends! This will be held on the **3rd Thursday of every month** until November.

This is a monthly gathering opportunity in a relaxed environment for your teenager – with pizza, laughter, activities and captioned movies. We will use English and Auslan for everything, it does not matter whether your teenager signs, speaks or both!

WHEN: Thursday 17 August, 21 September, 19 October and 16 November.

TIME: 5.30pm – 9.30pm

WHERE: The Deaf Society, 22 Conway Street, Lismore.

\$5 for pizza and activities.

Welcome to bring food and non-alcoholic drinks. If you – or someone you know – are interested in these sessions, either as a participant or volunteer, please forward/contact me ASAP.

Email me at mmahony@deafsociety.com or text 0422 013 451



Young Writers

Have a blast and turbo-boost your writing skills with our **mystery guest presenter!**

Who will it be?

Don't miss the big reveal!

5.00-6.30pm Thursday 3 August

Lismore City Library

For fearless & inquisitive 10-18 year olds!

Enquiries? Ask our library staff 02 6621 2464

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RIVERS PULSE

Youth Event

RESIST - PERSIST - SURVIVE TO THRIVE DRUG FREE
SATURDAY, 12 AUGUST 2017 | 11.00AM - 4.00PM
NESBITT PARK, SOUTH LISMORE

LIVE MUSIC - 'TEDDY LEWIS KING'
GRAFFITI WORKSHOPS - BMX RIDERS
MARTIAL ARTS - OPEN MIC - FOOD STALLS
TOUCH FOOTY GAME - PHOTO BOOTH
SKATEBOARDING - DJ - BBQ
PRIZES + MORE!

**COLLABORATE - JOIN FORCES
+ UNITE OUR COMMUNITY!**

We are calling all young people, families, community members and services to join us and get involved in this youth event, either by attending on the day or being part of the event.
ALL WELCOME!

Contact janellep@fsg.org.au
to RSVP or get involved.

Year 12 Trial Examination Timetable Term 3 2017 Weeks 4-5

| Week 4 | Session 1: 8.50am - 12.00pm | Session 2: 1.00pm - 3.10pm |
|---------------------|---|--|
| Mon Day 1 7 Aug | English Advanced Paper 1 - 2 hours English Standard Paper 1 - 2 hours | |
| Tue Day 2 8 Aug | Chemistry - 3 hours Earth & Environmental Science - 3 hours Senior Science - 3 hours | Construction - 2 hours Primary Industries - 2 hours Photography - 1 hour 30 mins |
| Wed Day 3 9 Aug | English Extension1 - 2 hours Entertainment - 2 hours Mathematics Extension1 - 2 hours Retail - 2 hours Metals and Engineering - 2 hours | |
| Thu Day 4 10 Aug | English Advanced Paper 2 - 2 hours English Standard Paper 2 - 2 hours | |
| Fri Day 5 11 Aug | PDHPE - 3 hours Drama - 1 hour 30 mins Exploring Early Childhood - 2 hours | Society & Culture - 2 hours |

Year 12 Trial Examination Timetable Term 3 2017 Weeks 4-5

| Week 5 | Session 1: 8.50am - 12.00pm | Session 2: 1.00pm - 3.10pm |
|----------------------|---|---|
| Mon Day 6 14 Aug | Biology - 3 hours Engineering Studies - 3 hours Software Design & Development - 3 hours Textiles & Design - 1 hour 30 mins Community&Family Studies - 3 hours Legal Studies - 3 hours Drama Practical – All Day | Drama Practical – All Day |
| Tue Day 7 15 Aug | Ancient History - 3 hours Physics - 3 hours Industrial Technology - 1 hour 30 mins | Hospitality – 2 hours Music1 Practical (Group 1) |
| Wed Day 8 16 Aug | Mathematics Extension 2 - 3 hours Music1 Practical (Group 2) - All Day | Music1 Practical (Group 2) - All Day |
| Thu Day 9 17 Aug | General Maths Pathway2 - 2 hour 30 mins Mathematics - 3 hours | |
| Fri Day 10 18 Aug | Agriculture - 3 hours Business Studies - 3 hours Music1 - 1 hour 30 mins Visual Arts - 1 hour 30mins | |

Note:

All exams in MPU except:

- **Music1 in Room 19**
- **Music1 Practical and Drama Practical in River Theatre**
- **Special Provisions in Careers Room/Library**

TAFE as normal on Wednesdays