

RICHMOND RIVER HIGH CAMPUS NEWSLETTER



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Semester One Junior Academic Awards

The Junior Academic Awards Assembly was held on Wednesday. Congratulations to all the students who received awards and in particular our major award recipients. The Keynote Address was given by Taylor Small, Year 11. Taylor spoke of the opportunities she has had at RRHC, in particular being able to attend the State Drama Camp, which has led to further opportunities. Year 10 presented two musical items to the delight of the audience. Thanks to all the parents and carers who attended to share in the success of our students.

Major Academic Award Winners

- Year 10 - Chloe Mills - Overall Academic Excellence Award
Alinta Ahrens - Overall Academic Achievement Award
Timothy Greathead- Scrivener - Overall Academic Achievement Award
Eve Robinson - Overall Academic Achievement Award
Jesse Crawford - Year Adviser's Award for Diligence & Application to Studies
- Year 9 - Ruby Barker - Overall Academic Excellence Award
Taylor Coster - Overall Academic Achievement Award
Jazmin Eakin - Overall Academic Achievement Award
Phoebe Shur - Overall Academic Achievement Award
Joshua Bryant - Year Adviser's Award for Diligence & Application to Studies
- Year 8 - Lily Shumack - Overall Academic Excellence Award
Molly Oquist - Overall Academic Achievement Award
Ella Conroy-Blatch - Overall Academic Achievement Award
Elkan Novak - Overall Academic Achievement Award
Saneigh Allen - Year Adviser's Award for Diligence & Application to Studies
- Year 7 - Blake O'Sullivan - Overall Academic Excellence Award
Pepa Rogers - Overall Academic Achievement Award
Hamish James - Overall Academic Achievement Award
Charlotte Herman Bromley - Overall Academic Achievement Award



Deputy Principal News

Academic Awards Assemblies

This week we celebrated the Academic success of our Junior Students (Years 7-10) on Wednesday and our Senior Students (Years 11-12) on Friday. These Assemblies recognise students for their commitment shown in class, assessments and examinations. They also showcase the amazing talents of our music students who perform at these special Assemblies. These events cannot happen without the support of our office staff who do an amazing job in preparing these awards and in particular Lisa Sinclair.

I would like to personally congratulate the students in the audience who met our behaviour expectations and showcased for our special guests, along with families and friends of our award winners, how great the students of our school are. Also a huge thank you to the families and friends who attended these Assemblies adding to the value we as school place on these academic awards.

Our Second Year 12 Hospitality Dinner

On Wednesday I was invited to attend the second of our Year 12 Hospitality Dinners. These events are an opportunity provided to the students so that they can achieve required competencies for these courses. The students not only prepared the food but also provided the table service and then washed the dishes. Special thanks to Louise Gresty, Sue Wraight and Rhonda Perkins who assisted the students on the night to make it such a success.

Year 12 Trial Exams

Our Year 12 students will sit their Trial HSC Exams over the next two weeks. This is an important part of their school based assessment and an opportunity to prepare for their HSC Exams with some subjects sitting their first three hour exam. We ask that the rest of the school be mindful of this and be as quiet as possible over the next two weeks around the MPU.

Tim Laverty

Relieving Deputy Principal

Aurora College visits RRHC

Molly, Year 8, is an Aurora College/RRHC student who was visited yesterday by a delegation from [Aurora College](http://www.aurora.nsw.edu.au/) including the Principal, Mr Robertson, who also addressed the RRHC staff meeting and outlined the benefits of being a partner school of Aurora College, the NSW virtual selective high school, for both students and staff. If you would like any more information about the school please contact Mary-Jane Pell or visit the Aurora College website <http://www.aurora.nsw.edu.au/> Molly also wrote a piece for the last Aurora College newsletter titled "Connect locally, learn globally". Keep up your great work, Molly.



Connect locally, learn globally



My name is Molly, I'm 13 and in Year 8 at both Aurora, and my home school, Richmond River High. I live on the far north coast of New South Wales, in Lismore, which is 50km inland from Byron Bay. I love living in Lismore, because I get the best of both worlds. I get to have the convenience of having shops, cafes, cinemas, theatres, galleries and a library within walking distance of my house, while still having the small-world feel of country living. You'll see someone you know every time you walk down the street, adding to the feeling of belonging and security that you get when living in a country town. In a matter of ten minutes I can go from driving through streets of cafes and shops, to beautiful rain forest and water holes.

About 40,000 people call Lismore home. Known as "the heart of the Northern Rivers", Lismore is mostly known for its strong sense of community and rich cultural diversity. All walks of life gather in the CBD each year, for annual events like The Lantern Parade, The Lismore Show, Tropical Fruits and Eat the Street food Festival. I love Lismore's community because new opportunities always arise from meeting new people and experiencing new things. I am constantly being exposed to so many different arts: music, visual arts and theatre, which I am really interested in. I particularly love drama, and have been part of a youth theatre company for over 8 years now, working alongside other young actors of Lismore. I have performed in numerous shows and also been part of a web-series, produced by my theatre group.

Lismore was recently devastated by a major flood, a result of Cyclone Debbie. Due to the torrential downpours that lasted for several days, the rivers that run through Lismore burst their banks, flowed over the levees and flooded the town. The water rose so quickly and no one had any time to prepare. Every single business in the town was affected, along with many people's homes and my school. Lismore came together as a community to clean up and repair the damage, both physical and mental, and help others to rebuild their lives. This is a great instance of how community-orientated the town is and how everyone genuinely cares for one and other.

In my home school, there are approximately 130 people in my year and about 1000 at my school. My school, however, is just one of three campuses of the new "super school": The Rivers Secondary College. My favourite subjects at school are History, English and Science, but I enjoy most subjects. There are so many things I would like to do when I finish school, it's just a matter of making a decision. I have been exposed to so many different occupations, with medicine, politics, education and photography (just to name a few) all having history in my family. But I would also love to pursue something in law or politics as I have a very strong commitment to social justice.

I love attending Aurora and all of the challenges it brings. I like to extend myself and my learning, and Aurora helps me to do this. I love going to classes and also enjoy attending masterclasses and e-mentoring sessions. I get along well with my peers and much prefer being in an academic environment, working alongside like-minded people who have similar interests to me. I am so lucky to be able to be taught by such incredible teachers, to have met so many people from all across the state and to have formed great friendships. No matter what I choose to do in the future, Aurora has helped me to develop so many skills and gain so much knowledge, and I know it will continue to do so. I am excited to see what the future brings for online learning and see where it takes the Aurora community next.

Molly Ogilvie

Year 8, The Rivers Secondary College Richmond River High Campus



Lismore during the floods this year

Year 12 Hospitality Restaurant

Ms Gresty's Year 12 Hospitality class used their culinary and restaurant service skills to create a memorable experience for their invited guests on Wednesday night. Thank you to all the students and staff who gave up their time to create this enjoyable evening.

MENU	
MOCKTAILS: ON ARRIVAL:	
• TROPICAL	• POLENTA WITH HALOUMI AND ROAST VEGETABLES STACK
• SPARKLING POMEGRANATE	• PROSCIUTTO WRAPPED STUFFED CHICKEN BREAST WITH CHATS CARROT AND BROCCOLI
ENTRÉE:	
• TURKISH BREAD WITH OIL/ OLIVES/ HUMMUS DIPS	• LEMON AND LIME TART
• STUFFED MUSHROOMS/ ASPARAGUS	• STICKY DATE PUDDING
• SPRING ROLLS/ ASIAN DIPPING SAUCE	
TEA AND COFFEE	



School Tree Day

RRHC participated in this environmental and educational event last Friday. A number of students were given the opportunity to plant native trees as well as check out the Toyota Corolla Hybrid car. Thank you to Trenton Baillie, Lismore Toyota (for providing the car as well as tree guards, gloves and tee shirts), Barbara Jenson and Vanessa Tallon, Lismore Council (providing the plants and compost). Thank you also to Ms Ford and Gary Osborne for all their help and support. A great day was had by students and special connection forged with students, nature and the community. We look forward to participating again next year. We can all make a difference.

Pauline Macleod
Science teacher



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.

Drop off and pick up at back of school

Parents who are dropping off or picking up their children before or after school are reminded to do this in the areas outside of the bus, taxi, disability parking, and no stopping zones at the front of the school. Suggested safe areas are the grassy tree-ed area outside the Ag Shed in Lake Street or near the shelter in McKenzie Park in Pitt Street, where there is a footpath to the school. The other alternative is at the back gate of the school on Alexandra Parade. The safety of our students is paramount.

From the Careers Adviser Summerland Future Options Expo

On Tuesday 25 July over 50 exhibitors were in attendance at the Summerland Future Options Expo held at the Sports Centre at Trinity Catholic College. Over 1500 students from Mullumbimby to Evans Head, west to Casino and Kyogle and the Alstonville and Lismore region attended the expo.

As the Summerland Career Advisers Association chairperson I am excited that this expo has been running for over 25 years and is now seen as the largest on the North Coast and one of the best chances for students of our region to gain a wide variety of post school information.

Among the exhibitors were universities and private colleges from Brisbane and the Gold Coast regions and a host of local providers including employment agencies, employers, TAFE NSW and Southern Cross University. Ten Universities including those from Canberra, Sydney and regional New South Wales were in attendance as well as many private institutions from throughout New South Wales.

There were design colleges, business colleges, an agricultural college as well as the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service, and many more exhibitors providing course, career and employment information to our students.

Eden Weir
Careers Adviser





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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

CALENDAR

TERM 3

Week B

7 August

Year 12 Trial Exams
Year 11 Snow Trip
U15 Basketball Gala Day

8 August

Year 12 Trial Exams
Year 11 Snow Trip
SCU Visit and STAR ENTRY

9 August

Year 12 Trial Exams
Year 11 Snow Trip

10 August

Year 12 Trial Exams
Year 11 Snow Trip

11 August

Year 12 Trial Exams
Year 11 Snow Trip

CANTEEN ROSTER

7 August

Help needed

8 August

Meryl Condon

9 August

Help needed

10 August

Dorothy Tan

11 August

Ian Hooper

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 4

Monday 7 August

Spaghetti Bolognese or Pesto pasta

Tuesday 8 August

Sweet and sour pork meatballs with
rice and stir fry vegetables



Thursday 10 August

Green Thai chicken or Vegetable curry

Friday 11 August

Crispy chicken or Bean tacos



Large \$6 Small \$4

QUOTE OF THE DAY

*"Difficult roads often lead to
beautiful destinations"*
(Unknown)

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/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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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.

P & C Reminder

Invitation to parents, carers and school community.

By participating in Richmond River High P&C meetings you can help make a difference to how your student is educated and supported to enjoy their high school years. It is a great way to find out what's happening at school, meet the Principal and teachers, and have input on school issues. Please consider attending the next P&C meeting to support public education at Richmond River High Campus.

The next meeting will be held on:

Monday 14 August at 5.30pm

Upstairs Common Room.

If you can't make it in person, then join from 5.15 p.m. via Skype. Send a contact request to: richmondriverhigh
If you have any queries or anything you would like to raise with the P&C:

All welcome. For information please email -

richmondriverhighschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au

Looking forward to seeing you there.




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.

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Applications close
20 August 2017

Forum dates
6-9 November 2017

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



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Early Admission Accommodation Bursary

This \$5,000 bursary is available to students from regional areas who plan to move to Wollongong and live in UOW accommodation.

If you receive a successful Early Admission outcome and apply to live in a UOW residence before November 12, you could be awarded this bursary toward your first year's accommodation fees.

There are 60 bursaries for regional students. You do not need to apply. All students who fit the criteria will automatically be considered and contacted by UOW if shortlisted.

UOW ACCOMMODATION APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN NOW
uow.edu.au/accommodation

Digital Portraiture Award 2017

Entries now open!

National Portrait Gallery

Calling all digital artists! Entries for the Digital Portraiture Award 2017 are now open. There's \$25,000 worth of prizes to be won so check out our DPA site for all the info, previous finalists vids and to submit your

entry: <https://dpa.portrait.gov.au/>

Get your skates on, entries close on 17 September!

Are you an eligible Young Carer?

- Do you provide care and support to a family member or friend with an illness, disability, mental health illness, is frail aged or has an alcohol or other drug problem?
- Will you be aged 12-25 years in 2018?
- Are you currently studying or wishing to return to study or training?
- Not in receipt of another bursary or scholarship
- A permanent resident or Australian citizen

You may be eligible to apply for a young carer bursary

About the Bursaries

- > 333 bursaries will be granted in 2018.
- > Each bursary is \$3,000.
- > The money can be spent on whatever helps you with your education or training.

How do you apply for a 2018 bursary?

Applications open online from 27 July and close on 7 September 2017. Just click 'Apply now'.

Further information

youngcarers.net.au/young-carer-bursary-program
or
1800 756 238

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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