

RICHMOND RIVER HIGH CAMPUS NEWSLETTER



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Merry Christmas 2018



2019 Return To School Dates

Tuesday 29 January - Staff Development Day - no students
Wednesday 30 January - Years 7, 11, 12 and Year 10 mentors return
Thursday 31 January - Years 8, 9, 10 return

Principal's Message



Final newsletter for the 2018 Academic Year . . . I can't believe it! I'd like to thank you all for first of all entrusting your young people to us and secondly for your support of your young person's school education. I'd like to wish each and everyone of you a happy and safe festive season and I hope that no matter what your beliefs are, you have some awesome family time.

I always think of the Christmas break as a time when the best family memories are made. When I talk to my own adult children they don't remember any of the gifts they ever got for Christmas but they certainly remember quality time with their mum, the beach, great food, mangoes dripping down their arms, time with their cousins, aunties, uncles and grandparents and very importantly for my family, the surf and horses, sometimes together.

Students, please rest, relax and recover and we will look forward to seeing you all next year!

Mary-Jane Pell
Principal



Senior Executive Message

Hello RRHC community

As the year draws to a close, we are so proud of our students, most of whom have taken every opportunity presented to them to learn, both in the classroom and outside the school settings. Congratulations to all our award recipients and thank you to the parents and carers who attended. Thank you to the students for your attentiveness during the Assembly on a very hot day. Thank you to all staff who attended and supported this celebration with a special mention to Ms Moverley, Ms Sinclair, Mr Tooley, Mr Redden, music students and teachers, and our Year Advisers and special guests.

This year has been a very busy one. Staff have implemented new strategies and trialled new projects to improve the school; we have been very successful through the External Validation process, HSC monitoring and implementing new strategies to improve the classroom experience. Students have had the opportunity to go on numerous excursions including the Snow Trip and Great Keppel Island, which are unique opportunities and students always have a great time.

The Christmas holidays are a time for celebration, relaxation and time with important people in our lives. We wish students, staff and families a great time and we look forward to an exciting year next year with new students, some new staff and new opportunities.

"During the holiday season, it's easy to forget that sometimes the best gift of all is simply the gift of time."
Kate Klise

From the Senior Executive

From the Community Liaison Officer (CLO)



Enjoy the Holidays

This is time to celebrate the end of another very busy school year. If we look back at it and remember what has been squeezed into one year, we can be very proud of all that our children have achieved. The holidays give us time to spend with our young people to get to know how they are changing, what interests them now and what they want to do with themselves in the holidays and beyond. The life of a young person is constantly evolving and therefore our job as a parent or carer is also constantly evolving too. It is a time to delight in the growth of our kids, to be proud of the challenges that they have met and overcome and to get up to date on their new challenges.

It wasn't so long ago that a very wet day meant an additional holiday. No longer! Now there is always work provided to students by email or paper form so a wet day is no longer a day off. If your child needs computer access then a quick phone call to your local primary school could well see that problem solved. That primary school may well have an arrangement with RRHC to give them a desk. That's life in the fast lane.

There is much to celebrate with your family in the holidays. Enjoy every day.

Anne Bowden
Community Liaison Officer (CLO)

2018 Major Awards Winners

Year 11 – Major Awards

Alinta Ahrens - 2018 Pierre de Courbetin Award

Alinta Ahrens - Year Adviser's Award for Diligence & Application to Studies

Jazmin Bertuzzi - Premier's Sporting Challenge Medallion

Jazmin Bertuzzi - Rotary Best All-Rounder

Sveva-Magdalena Bennett - Winner John Duncan Memorial Award for Most Improved in Year 11

Indigo Keszler - Overall Academic Achievement Award for Semester 2

Sasha Hart - Overall Academic Achievement Award for Semester 2

Chloe Mills - Overall Academic Achievement Award for Semester 2

Tahi White - Overall Academic Excellence Award for Semester 2

Year 10 – Major Awards

Joshua Johnson - Lions Club of Lismore Community Services Award

Cameron Mustard - Award for Environmental Excellence for Outstanding Work in Agriculture

Ruby Barker - ADF Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork

Ruby Barker - Overall Academic Achievement Award for Semester 2

Jazmin Eakin - Rotary Best All Rounder Award

Mika Danks - Year Adviser's Award for Diligence & Application to Studies

Thomas Butcher - Overall Academic Achievement Award for Semester 2

Freesia Holmes - Overall Academic Achievement Award for Semester 2

Lauren Whitney - Overall Academic Excellence Award for Semester 2

Year 9 – Major Awards

Scarlet Murphy - Rotary Literacy Award

Bridie Stott - Rotary Best All-Rounder

Maddy McLeod - Year Adviser's Award for Diligence & Application to Studies

Joshua Robinson - Overall Academic Achievement Award for Semester 2

Raphael Monks - Overall Academic Achievement Award for Semester 2

Georgia Riley - Overall Academic Excellence Award for Semester 2

Year 8 – Major Awards

Slade Brown - Rotary Literacy Award

Lekhia Dargin - Rotary Literacy Award

Yogi White - Rotary Best All-Rounder

Alisha McPherson - Year Adviser's Award for Diligence, Application to Studies and Community

Skye Hoggan - Overall Academic Achievement Award for Semester 2

Pepa Rogers - Overall Academic Achievement Award for Semester 2

Ellie McMahon - Overall Academic Achievement Award for Semester 2

Niamh Montgomery - Overall Academic Excellence Award for Semester 2

Year 7 – Major Awards

Jye McDonald - Rotary Literacy Award for Commitment and Effort

Sophia Moreira Muniz - Rotary Literacy Award for Commitment and Effort

Liam Corbett - Rotary Best All-Rounder

Murron McGregor-Shaw - Year Adviser's Award for Diligence & Application to Studies

Hayley Keys - Overall Academic Achievement Award for Semester 2

Violet Conroy-Blatch - Overall Academic Achievement Award for Semester 2

Amy Mulcahy - Overall Academic Achievement Award for Semester 2

Ruby Keszler - Overall Academic Excellence Award for Semester 2

2018 Major Awards Winners

Congratulations to all our students who received awards for excellence or commendable achievement and effort. We are extremely proud of the students who received medallions for overall academic excellence and all round achievement. Thank you to our special guests, Mr Geoff Cawley (Rotary), Warrant Officer Class 2 Jason Honeyman and Lion's Club representatives who assisted with the prize giving. Well done to Jazmin and Tahi for leading the Assembly. During the Address Ms Pell spoke about student achievement, family support and the work of teachers in creating success. Once again we had two awesome musical items. Thank you to the families who came to support to our students. We look forward to the 2019 academic year.



Sports Award - Alinta Ahrens 2018



Congratulations to Alinta, recipient of the Pierre de Coubertin Award for 2018. This award recognises sporting achievement and endeavours consistent with the aims of the Olympic Movement.

Dean French
Year 11 Adviser



Year 8 - Tyalgum Ridge Retreat Camp

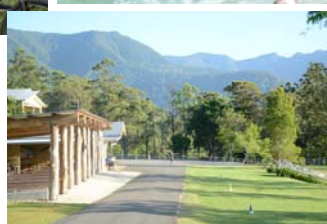
What a camp!!! Sixty-four Year 8 students attended two days of camp at Tyalgum Ridge Retreat. With Mt Warning and mountain ranges surrounding us 360 degrees we hit the ground running into a 5km waterfall hike, a cross country bike ride and a kayak in the dam. We then had some target practice in archery and tested our problem solving skills in the team raft building challenge, along with cooling off in the pool and sharing tales around the camp fire. We then confronted our fears or fuelled our adrenaline thresholds up on the 10m high ropes and flying fox obstacle course!!!

This was such a jam packed couple of days with outstanding attitudes and good times all round!!!

Sending out a huge thank you to Year 8 for their awesome participation, their families for getting them organised and to the accompanying teachers Mr Hogden, Ms Sulek, Mr Scarrabelotti and Mr Flanagan - it was so great to end 2018 on such a high note!!

Elise Dessmann

Year 8 Adviser and Camp Coordinator



Variety is the Spice of Life

RRHC has been fortunate to gain additional financial support to purchase a brand new 25 seat Mitsubishi Rosa bus. This process began in Term 3, 2017, RRHC lodged a proposal with Variety Children's Charity Variety - the Children's Charity NSW & ACT. Part of the proposal is three parties need to be involved in the purchase; many thanks go to RRHC Parents and Citizens Association who matched the amount the school allocated. RRHC application was chosen over three other by De Lambert Largesse, who donate to the Variety Foundation to support projects.

The purchase of this vehicle will be utilised by all students at RRHC, from Wednesday sport, to class excursions, overnight stays for school camps, and transition days for Year 6 to 7 just to name a few. We are overwhelmed with the outcome and look forward to many years of utilising the bus to benefit our students and staff.

Once again thank you to Variety, RRHC Parents and Citizens association, and De Lambert Largesse for the financial assistance they have given so RRHC can have a bus.

Scott Harrison

Transition Adviser/Youth Outreach Worker

A very big thank you to Scott Harrison for initiating and seeing this project through to this successful outcome, the bus will provide many opportunities for our students.



heist – A collaborative novel by the Lismore Young Writers

Congratulations to our Year 8 students, Niamh, Pepa and Jessica, who have been involved in a writing collaboration at Lismore Library. The novel "heist" is a result of two terms work, brainstorming the scenario and characters and then collaborating with each other so that the stories would interweave and connect. Thanks to the Richmond Tweed Regional Library, Lismore, Byron Writers Festival and the StoryBoard program for providing this awesome opportunity and well done to our students for taking up the opportunity! The book is available for borrowing from the school library.



Year 8 - Step Up, Reach Out and Make a Difference Day

The Year 8 Project Based Learning and Study Skills programs enabled Year 8 to choose an area of concern and create a campaign to raise awareness for their cause. The campaigns chosen included health issues, endangered habitats and animals, road safety and more. It was great to see such passion for their area of concern, with some outstanding stalls and valuable insights into their campaigns. Well done, Year 8.

Funds collected on the day are for the following charities: The Great Barrier Reef Foundation, Our Kids, WIRES and Southern Cross LADS.

Elise Dessmann
Year 8 Adviser



SCU Head-Start – Four students selected for 2019

SCU Head-Start provides an opportunity for Year 11 and 12 students to gain direct entry and advanced standing into a variety of courses offered at SCU. Free from university fees, the program offers students the chance to gain a taste of university life, stimulate their interest in academic pursuits and enhance educational performance and long term aspirations. The program has been designed for students who have the academic capability to succeed at university. We have four students with successful applications into the 2019 program and I would like to congratulate Michaela, Charlie, Alinta and Nakeeta.

Eden Weir
Career Adviser



Lost clothing

There is a significant amount of clothing in lost property at the Front Office.



Students need to claim any clothing they've lost next week. Any unclaimed items will be donated to charity.



Would a \$1,000 scholarship help with your studies?



FACS Scholarships

Will you be studying in Year 10, 11 or 12 in 2019?

You may be eligible if:

- you are living in or waiting for social housing
- you receive another type of housing help from FACS
- you are living in out-of-home care.

Applications are open from
17 December 2018 to 18 January 2019.

Find out more at
www.facs.nsw.gov.au/facs-scholarships

 **NSW GOVERNMENT**

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



The Rivers Secondary College - Richmond River High Campus uses STYMIE to support student wellbeing and to support direct action against bullying in our school.

The program educates bystanders about their responsibilities and provides an online, independent reporting method, ensuring complete anonymity for students making notifications; creating a sense of safety in 'the crowd'. The use of Stymie will help change the 'culture of acceptance' of bullying behaviours. Students can access Stymie by going to www.stymie.com.au and www.facebook.com/stymieau

OUR SCHOOL HAS SUBSCRIBED TO AN ONLINE & INTERACTIVE STUDY SKILLS HANDBOOK

To access the handbook, go to
www.studyskillshandbook.com.au
and login as a subscriber with these details:

USERNAME: **RRHC**
PASSWORD: **88success**

This password is only for use by Richmond River High Campus students and parents.

School Stream App - Please download


Reminder to our RRHC community that we use the [School Stream](#) App. Parents, carers and students, please download the app to your mobile device to receive



iPhone / iPad iOS

1. From your mobile device go to the **App Store** search for **School Stream**
2. Tap the **FREE/GET** button to the right of the School Stream listing
3. Tap the **INSTALL** button
4. Enter your Apple ID and password & tap **OK**
5. Wait for the install icon to change to **OPEN**
6. Tap the **OPEN** button
7. You will be prompted to accept push notifications, you will need to select **OK**
8. Start typing **TRSC - Richmond River High School Campus** into the search then **SELECT TRSC - Richmond River High School Campus**

If you are viewing this page on your mobile device, visit the store link below.



Windows Phone/Other Devices

Contact your school for your web link, and follow these instructions:

To pin a website on your **Windows Phone**:

- Open the website you want to pin
- Tap More icon, then tap Pin to Start

You will be able to access all of your school's information, however you won't be able to receive notifications.

Note: Some devices may vary please follow your usual installation procedure for downloading and installing an app to your device.

Android / Tablet

1. From your mobile device go to the **Play Store** search for **School Stream**
2. Tap the School Stream listing
3. Tap the **INSTALL** button
4. Tap the **ACCEPT** button
5. Wait for the app to install then tap the **OPEN** button
6. Start typing **TRSC - Richmond River High School Campus** into the search then **SELECT TRSC - Richmond River High School Campus**
7. Tap the **DONE** button in the top left



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Other useful information

Troubleshooting tips

Follow this link.

Are your children attending different schools?

Don't worry, School Stream caters for multiple schools from within the app itself. Jump between your children's schools by touching the school logo/name, or switch schools from the slide-in menu.

Choose which notifications you receive:

1. Open the School Stream app on your mobile device
2. From the slide-in menu, go to Settings
3. Under Edit/Alerts select My Schools and select your School to open the Notifications page
4. Toggle notifications on or off individually (e.g. Alerts, Events, Newsletters, etc.)
5. When you have finished, use the Back button to return to the Settings page, then select Done to return to your School
6. Return at any time to change the notifications you receive.

CALENDAR

WEEK 10A

Monday 17 December

Tuesday 18 December

Years 7-10 Reports distributed
River Idol

Wednesday 19 December

Last day for Students

Extension 2 English - Vive-Voce

Extension 2 Maths Day

Thursday 20 December

Staff Development Day - no students

2019 TERM 1 - Week 1A

29 January

Staff Development Day - no students

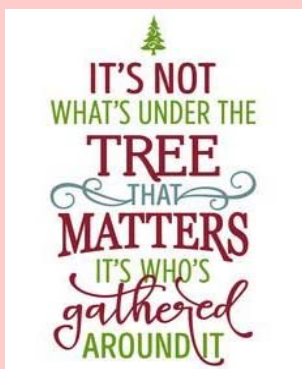
30 January

Years 7, 11, 12 return to school

31 January

Years 8, 9, 10 return to school

QUOTE OF THE DAY



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Canteen: 6621 4890

We would like to respectfully acknowledge the Elders past and present of the Wijabul 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.

To view The Rivers Secondary College
SMORE newsletter go to

<https://www.smore.com/1n9qd>

From the Canteen

We wish all students and families
a very Merry Christmas and a
Happy and Safe New Year.

We would like to thank our very
helpful Volunteers and we look
forward to seeing you all in 2019.



Canteen Specials Week 10

Monday 17 December

Mexican feast - \$5 Small, \$7 Large

Tuesday 18 December

Chef special - \$5 Small, \$7 Large

Wednesday 19 December - Canteen is open



#RecycleRight with **SCRATCH**
Keep it simple. Keep it clean. Keep it coming 'round.

Scratch Coding Workshop

#RecycleRight with Scratch coding these school holidays!
Have fun and teach your community by creating a recycling game!
Information and bookings through Lismore Library 02 6621 2464

Lismore Library
Every week from 3 January to 31 January 2019!
Tuesdays at 10.30am to 11.30am
& Thursdays at 3.30pm to 4.30pm

The best projects will be embedded on both the Lismore City Council & Richmond Tweed Regional Library websites for our community to see and play.

SUMMER READING CLUB Book Club!



**Wednesday, 9 January &
Wednesday, 23 January**
2.30pm - 3.30pm
at Lismore Library

- Bring along your favourite summer read
- Book discussions
- Learn to navigate reader tools in choosing your next read
- Storytelling games

Spaces are limited, bookings essential.

Richmond Tweed Regional Library
Connect. Discover. Escape.

Lismore Library
60 6621 2464
111 Magellan Street
Lismore NSW 2480

School Holidays in the Lismore Area Libraries

Monday 31 December	Tuesday 1 January	Wednesday 2 January	Thursday 3 January	Friday 4 January
LIBRARY CLOSED	LIBRARY CLOSED		Lismore Library Weaving Shapes *No bookings required 2.00pm Lismore Library RecycleRight Coding Workshop 3.30pm - 4.30pm	Lismore Library Chalk Board Decorating 10.30am - 11am Goonellabah Library Decorate a magnet 2.00pm - 2.30pm
Monday 7 January	Tuesday 8 January	Wednesday 9 January	Thursday 10 January	Friday 11 January
Lismore Library Toddler Time (toddlers 1-2 yrs.) 10.00am - 10.30am Baby Bounce (babies 0-1 yrs.) 11.00am - 11.30am Wi & Robotics (6+ yrs.) 2.30pm - 3.30pm Code Club (7-12yrs only) 3.45pm - 4.45pm	Lismore Library RecycleRight Coding Workshop 10.30am - 11.30am Goonellabah Library Storytime (toddlers 1-2 yrs.) 10.30am - 11.15am Sand Art 2pm - 3pm	Lismore Library Storytime (toddlers 1-2 yrs.) 10.30am - 11.15am Summer Reading Club (7+yrs.) 2.30pm - 3.30pm	Lismore Library Storytime (toddlers 1-2 yrs.) 10.30am - 11.15am Swift Playground 2.30pm - 3.30pm RecycleRight Coding Workshop 3.30pm - 4.30pm	Goonellabah Library Toddler Time (toddlers 1-2 yrs.) 10.00am - 10.30am Baby Bounce (babies 0-1 yrs.) 11.00am - 11.30am Wi & Robotics (6+ yrs.) 2.30pm - 3.30pm
Monday 14 January	Tuesday 15 January	Wednesday 16 January	Thursday 17 January	Friday 18 January
Lismore Library Toddler Time (toddlers 1-2 yrs.) 10.00am - 10.30am Baby Bounce (babies 0-1 yrs.) 11.00am - 11.30am Code Club (7-12yrs only) 3.45pm - 4.45pm	Lismore Library RecycleRight Coding Workshop 10.30am - 11.30am Mystery Craft 2.30pm - 3.30pm Goonellabah Library Storytime (toddlers 1-2 yrs.) 10.30am - 11.15am	Lismore Library Storytime (toddlers 1-2 yrs.) 10.30am - 11.15am Story Stones 2.30pm - 3.30pm Goonellabah Library Mini Succulent Gardens 2pm - 3pm	Lismore Library Storytime (toddlers 1-2 yrs.) 10.30am - 11.15am RecycleRight Coding Workshop 3.30pm - 4.30pm Mobile Library (Rimbal) Back to School Craft?? *No bookings required 11.00am	Goonellabah Library Toddler Time (toddlers 1-2 yrs.) 10.00am - 10.30am Baby Bounce (babies 0-1 yrs.) 11.00am - 11.30am Make a Pinwheel 2pm - 2.30pm
Monday 21 January	Tuesday 22 January	Wednesday 23 January	Thursday 24 January	Friday 25 January
Lismore Library Toddler Time (toddlers 1-2 yrs.) 10.00am - 10.30am Baby Bounce (babies 0-1 yrs.) 11.00am - 11.30am Code Club (7-12yrs only) 3.45pm - 4.45pm	Lismore Library RecycleRight Coding Workshop 10.30am - 11.30am Goonellabah Library Storytime (toddlers 1-2 yrs.) 10.30am - 11.15am Outdoor Fun Book Launch 10.30am - 11.15am Stained Glass Look-a-Likes 2pm - 3pm	Lismore Library Storytime (toddlers 1-2 yrs.) 10.30am - 11.15am Outdoor Fun Book Launch 10.30am - 11.15am Summer Reading Club (7+yrs.) 2.30pm - 3.30pm	Lismore Library Storytime (toddlers 1-2 yrs.) 10.30am - 11.15am Outdoor Fun Book Launch 10.30am - 11.15am RecycleRight Coding Workshop 3.30pm - 4.30pm Youth Book Club (10-17yrs.) 4pm - 5pm Youth Event (12-17yrs.) School Book Collages	Lismore Library Marble Painting 10.30am - 11.30am Goonellabah Library Toddler Time (toddlers 1-2 yrs.) 10.00am - 10.30am Baby Bounce (babies 0-1 yrs.) 11.00am - 11.30am

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Spaces are limited for many activities.
Bookings are essential for all activities listed above
in black, unless otherwise stated.

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Goonellabah NSW 2480

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Katherine Outback Experience "Speak Up Show"

11th January 2019

6pm to 8.30 pm at the Casino Showgrounds

Gates open at 5.30 pm

Multiple Golden Guitar winner and horseman extraordinaire Tom Curtain will be performing his Katherine Outback Experience show of real horse training and working dog demonstrations followed by a live music performance at the Casino Showgrounds on Friday 11 January 2018. This is a **FREE**

event thanks to the Richmond Valley Council and Northern Co-operative Meat Company (NCMC).

There will be a FREE shuttle bus, kindly sponsored by Bennett's Bus Services, with various pickups around town. Tickets are free, but bookings are recommended.

Katherine Outback Experience (KOE) is an outback show that celebrates life on the land through real horse-starting and working dog demonstrations entwined with live music and humorous bush tales. KOE won the 2018 Tourism NT Brolga Awards for Best Tourist Attraction and Best Visitor Experience in the NT



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Designer
Technician

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