## RICHMOND RIVER HIGH CAMPUS NEWSLETTER





## Principal's Message

#### Role of Chaplain in the school

The role undertaken by the chaplain will include general spiritual and personal advice, attending to personal needs of students, making appropriate referrals by facilitating access to external agencies in the community with the approval of the school Principal, helping to coordinate and run the breakfast club, assisting with wellbeing programs and activities running in the school, participating in extra curricula activities and programs including at lunchtime, supporting programs around the prevention of bullying and cyber bullying and providing guidance about ethics, values and relationships.

The chaplain's role adds and additional dimension to the school's care by supporting the spiritual needs of students, regardless of their faith or beliefs and it is an essential and vital part of the school's support and wellbeing team.

Mary-Jane Pell Principal

## Year 12 - 27 September 2019

Year 12 will have their last day of school on Friday 27 September before sitting their HSC Examinations in Term 4.

Breakfast for the students - 7.30am-8.30am

**Formal Assembly** - 10am in the MPU to be followed by Morning Tea in the River Theatre for Parents/Carers/Guests

**Formal Tickets** are now available from the Front Office. Students - \$40 each, Guests \$42 each.

## **Deputy Principal's News**

#### Hello RRHC Community

Year 11 are working through their examinations, and the hard work and study they have completed will be reflected in their results. Exam time can be a challenging time for students and parents so look after each other.

Year 12 are coming to the end of their secondary schooling. It is important that students keep working hard to ensure that they have the best opportunity for their HSC Examinations and further opportunities.

The Roly Dixon Cup is being held again. Staff have been victorious over the students in Basketball and Netball but students still have opportunities to win Soccer today and Touch Football on Tuesday. Special mention to Mr Hurley for his skills in Basketball and Mr Moses, Mrs Turner and Mr Gallagher in Netball.

Next Friday is RRHC's Year 12 Formal Assembly. This is a very important day for our seniors as it brings to an end thirteen years of schooling. This special occasion is one of the most important celebrations at RRHC and it is important for the school community to attend and wish our seniors every success in their future endeavours.

Congratulations to our HSC music students and thank you very much to Mr Wordsworth and Mr Mitchell for their consistent hard work.

All parents and carers have received a text about the "Tell Them From Me" survey. Please complete this anonymous survey as it provides RRHC with valuable information from a parental perspective to help us improve our practices.

RRHC is a uniform school and we, as a school community, expect that all our students are in uniform every school day; please refer to the school website, or the last page of this newsletter, for clarification if you require it.

"You only grow by coming to the end of something and by beginning something else."

- John Irving, The World According to Garp

Have a happy and safe weekend.

Luke Woodward Deputy Principal

### ASSESSMENT CALENDAR

Term 3 Week 10 and Term 4 Week 1-2

Year 7

Maths 'Probability' - 23.9.19 (Wk 10)

Year 8

Year 9

Maths 'In Class Test - Open Book' - 25.9.19 (Wk 10) TAS 'The uses of Radiata Pine' - 22.10.19 (Wk 2)

Year 10

Maths 5.3 'Topic Test' - 25.9.19 (Wk 10)
TAS 'Timber Production' - 22.10.19 (Wk 2)
PDHPE "Diversity Day' - 24.10.19 (Wk 2)

Year 11

Year 12

## 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.

## From the Community Liaison Officer (CLO)

#### **Tell Them From Me Survey**

Once again we are asking for your feedback on how we can make our school even better. The annual Tell Them From Me survey is open and ready for you. http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/xbhzj

We have been asking parents, students and staff to complete this survey for a few years now and have found your input to be most helpful for us. We will use the

anonymous information we get from you to inform our planning for 2020. We can not make changes if you do not tell us what we need to change.

By working together we can achieve more. Thank you for your early return of this survey.

#### Parent and Community Engagement for Student Learning

On Wednesday night we were treated to a talk from Adrian Piccoli former Minister of Education and now Director of the Gonski Institute for Education. He spoke to his book 12 Ways Your Child Can Get The Best Out of School.

This is a book for parents with lots of good information in an easy to read format. It is research based yet very practical. I got a lot out of it and will continue to quote from it over time. He suggested that we remember:

- Don't be in a hurry
- Not all children are the same
- Avoid comparing children
- Don't stress all children develop differently

These are things that we may all know in theory but it helps to hear that research backs our understanding. The trick is to remember it when it matters. When working with your school for the best for our kids, it is most helpful if we treat each other with mutual respect. It helps the communication and it also helps our kids. We need to understand that schools are complicated places with lots of layers to them. And it helps to be involved with our child's school not just the child.

We do not get parenting right all the time despite our best efforts but kids are strong and resilient. Mostly they will grow up well and take their place in an adult world after they have given us a few headaches along the way. It helps to praise their efforts and respect their personal best. We can use disappointment as a teaching tool and do our best to not add to their stress.

Adrian was quick to tell us that although he has two children of his own this information from his book comes from research but added a number of examples from his own experience. He did not claim to be a perfect parent but he does believe in his kids' ability to thrive.

A final quote from Adrian's book - "We want our children to leave school happy with what they have achieved, having had every opportunity to learn to their fullest potential and with their well being and resilience supported and strengthened. When we better understand schools and understand the role we play as parents in our child's education, then we are better able to enjoy this crucial and wonderful time of their life - and ours."

An excellent night.

Anne Bowden

Community Liaison Officer (CLO)

## From the TAS Faculty

If you shop at Woolworths and you don't want the seed pods that are available as a give away at the moment, we would love it if you could donate them to the TAS Faculty as they would be a wonderful resource for us.

Sally Ford Head Teacher TAS





## On Track Work Placement

On Track students have been learning new skills on Work Placement again this term. Exciting stuff!! Students learning and practising skills in farming, engineering, retail, haberdashery, pet care, mechanical, air-conditioning, fabrication and other areas within these local businesses.

Mrs Newman and I would like to give a shout out to the students, who are doing us proud with their professionalism. Thank you to the businesses for hosting our students.

Please throw your support behind these local businesses; Rose's Dairy farm, T-Tree Holdings, Horseland, Officeworks, James Frizelles, Rogers Performance and Mechanical, Lincraft, Pets and Saddles and Kats, Readings Engineering, AJM's Refrigeration and Air-conditioning, Lismore Diesel. Thanks for all your support.

Miss Hartland On Track Teacher









## Careers – Work Experience Year 9 and 10

Careers has been very busy this term organising work experience for students. This is an invaluable opportunity for students to engage with employers and businesses to see how they operate and to participate in real life work. Students can also learn more about the pathways they may like to pursue while at school. Gabrielle, Year 10, has recently completed her work experience with Connect, a Youth Engagement Service in Lismore, which was one of the areas she wanted to explore. We really encourage Year 9 and 10 students to organise some work experience while at school, by going to see the Careers Adviser.



Lisa Newman, Relieving Careers Adviser

## From the PDHPE Faculty

On Tuesday RRHC sent three teams to the Zone 14s and 16s boys Futsal Championships.

The 16s had a tough first up game against Casino and found themselves quickly down 3-0. They fought back prior to half time and scored the first goal just after half time to claw their way back to 3-2. Unfortunately they missed golden opportunities to level the game and went down 6-2 after conceding late goals chasing a result. In their second game they had a 7-7 draw with Bonalbo.

The 14s second team had a difficult first game against the eventual finalists losing comfortably to Alstonville. In their second game they had a tight loss to Woodenbong going down 5-2. The 14s second

team was made up of 12 and 13 year olds who will benefit from the experience next year.

The 14s first team had an excellent tournament. They defeated Kadina 3-1 in the first round and Casino 4-2 in the second round to progress to a semi final against Maclean. They held a lead twice at 1-0 and 2-1 but were overcome by the eventual champions 4-2. The students all played with great sportsmanship and represented themselves and our campus proudly.

John Eakin PDHPE Teacher



## Diversity Day 2019 - Year 10

Year 10 students had the wonderful opportunity to supplement their learning at the annual Diversity Day Thursday last week. This Term, PDHPE classes are studying challenges faced by people within minority groups in Australian society. They were fortunate to hear first hand experiences from local community members to consolidate their learning. Groups represented on the day were Sanctuary Northern Rivers who support Refugees; HART Services who provide transport assistance to engage in personal and community events; The Winsome & Soup Kitchen Lismore who provide nourishment and shelter for people who are homeless and sleeping rough; Summerland House Farm who provide meaningful employment opportunities for people with a disability; and Foster Families who provide a loving and safe home environment for children requiring short or long care. A huge thank you to our presenters on the day, and to our students for their engagement, respectful behaviour and thoughtful questions during the information sessions.

## Brad Clarke PDHPE Teacher









## Student Online Portal

All students can now access information such as timetables, school and assessment calendars online through the student portallogin name and password is the same as DET account. The student portal web address is: <a href="www.web2.richmondri-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/portal/login">web2.richmondri-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/portal/login</a>





# HSC EXAM READERS AND WRITERS URGENTLY REQUIRED

Can you

- · communicate clearly in English
- read well
- · write clearly
- be patient and sensitive
- · maintain confidentiality

We require volunteers who can act as a reader and writer for Year 12 students during HSC exams starting on Thursday 17 October until Thursday 31 October. You must have a current working with children check number - go to the following website - https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safeorganisations/working-with-children-check.

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









Failing doesn't make you a failure. C'mon, keep going xoxo



#### 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 Department of Communities and Justice, or DCJ Scholarship Program (formerly the FACS Scholarship Program) helps young people to finish their education and reach their full potential.

If you work with a young person who could benefit from a scholarship, we need your

Students can use their scholarship for educational, support related or living expenses in the 2020 academic year. This can include text books, tutoring, medical needs or childcare costs - among other things.

#### What are the application dates?

Applications open at 9am on Monday, 16 September 2019.

- For year 10, 11 or 12 students, applications close at 5pm on Thursday, 31 October 2019.
- · For returning applicants at TAFE, university or in a traineeship or apprenticeship, the deadline for a student to provide their letter of offer for a course is 21 February 2020.

#### How can I help?

A promotional pack is available for you to download from www.facs.nsw.gov.au/scholarships

- an A3 poster
- · factsheet for new applicants
- factsheet for returning applicants
- applicant guidelines
- social media images to share online
- promotional videos

Please share this information with the young people you work with and your networks, and help us spread the word.

#### Where can I find out more?

If you have any questions, please call us on 02 8753 8673 or email education@facs.nsw.gov.au



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



## 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

- From your mobile device go to the App Store search for School Stream
- 2. Tap the FREE/GET button to the night of the

- 5. Wait for the install icon to change to OPEN
- 6. Tap the OPEN button
- You will be prompted to accept push notifications, you will need to select 0
- Start typing TRSC Richmond River High School Campus into the search then SELF TRSC Richmond River High School Cam





#### Windows Phone/Other Devices

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



Are your children attending different schools?

#### 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.)
- 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

#### 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
- 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



links below.









#### CALENDAR

Term 3 Week 10B Year 11 Yearly Exams Week

23 September

Defiant Art Workshop Year 9 Mon-Thurs.

24 September

Year 12 SLR Gymnastics

25 September

26 September

27 September

Year 12 Farewell Breakfast

**Year 12 Assembly** 

Year 12 Reports distributed

Last day of Term 3

School resumes Monday 14 October for Staff and Students

Term 4 Week 1A
Year 8 PIPs Presentation Week

14 October

15 October

16 October

17 October

18 October

#### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory"

- Dr Suess



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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

## Canteen Specials Week 10

Monday 23 September
Mexican Mix - Small \$5, Large \$7

Tuesday 24 September
Curry in a Hurry - Small \$5, Large \$7



Thursday 26 September Feast Italia - Small \$5, Large \$7

Friday 27 September
Chef Specials
- Small \$4, Large \$6



### FROM THE CANTEEN

#### **Volunteers**

We are always seeking volunteers to assist in the Canteen. If you can donate a day to assist on a daily, weekly or monthly basis, please phone 6621 4890.

## **Puberty, Sexuality and Relationships:**

A workshop for parents and carers of people with intellectual disability and autism spectrum disorders

#### Find out how to support your family member's personal development and sexuality in a positive way!



Come join the team at Family Planning NSW for an interactive workshop that will cover issues across the lifespan including:

- Disability and sexuality
- Preparing for puberty
- · Decision making and safety
- · Taking care of health and hygiene
- Supporting friendship and relationship development
- Supporting positive and safe sexual expression
- Tips for talking about sex and answering tricky questions

Parents, foster parents, relatives and other unpaid carers of people with intellectual disability and autism spectrum disorders of all ages are welcome.

Unfortunately we are unable to accept registrations from professionals for this event.

This forum is not suitable for children. We regret we are unable to provide respite/childcare.

#### Date:

Thursday 17th October 2019

#### Time:

Morning workshop: 10am – 12pm Evening workshop: 6pm – 8pm

#### Venue:

Ballina Comfort Inn All Seasons, 301 River St, Ballina NSW

#### Cost:

Free.

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## NEWCASTLE PERMANENT CHARITABLE FOUND TION

#### For more information:

#### **Erin Donnelly**

Family Planning NSW P: 02 8752 4312

E: erind@fpnsw.org.au

Click here to register online

## Gracemere Farmstead SPRING OUTDOOR ADVENTURE



Tuesday 1, Wednesday 2 and Thursday 3 October 10am to 2pm for all primary school and high school aged children

Tuesday 8, Wednesday 9, Thursday 10 October 10am to 2pm for all high school aged children and NDIS adults

Tuesdays: Bush Survival and Cooking Wednesdays: Lego Builders, Farm Craft and Farm Games Thursdays: Farm Animal Care, Nature and Gardening

Open for all primary and high school age children

NDIS clients can pay from their package

We are located in Yorklea (between Lismore and Casino)

For more information and to enrol please phone or email

To connect with the gang @ Gracemere Farmstead contact Stephen on 0430912612 or <a href="mailto:gracemerefarmstead@gmail.com">gracemerefarmstead@gmail.com</a> www.gracemerefarmstead.com.au

## The Recre8 Program >>> recreate your life <<<



Our upcoming Recre8 Program is for 14-19 year old young men in the Northern Rivers of NSW who would like to take part in an awesome expedition adventure program.

Human Nature Adventure Therapy has commenced intake for our November 2019 Recre8 Bush Adventure Therapy Program and are taking applications for vulnerable and/or disadvantaged young men (14-19 years old) who are up for a challenge, and looking to make positive changes in their life — see below for details. The Young Men's Recre8 Program takes place in the Northern Rivers region of NSW and welcomes applicants from this region.

For this particular intake, we are looking to make up a group of young men who may be struggling, but are wanting to make healthy and constructive changes in their lives, and might not otherwise have an opportunity for intensive support such as this.

Register your interest as soon as possible – applications need to be underway by 23 September 2019, as applications close 1 October and we generally have many more applicants than places (and proper intake, assessment and preparation takes time). Go to -

https://community-hub.socialfutures.org.au/november-2019recre8-bush-adventure-therapy-program-applications-open/

#### **Lismore Young Writers' Masterclass**

# The Great 2019 Masterclass Split!

An experiment for the rest of 2019.

Same time and place - same great pizza
One end of year anthology - more individual attention.



High school students with Jesse Blackadder Library Level 2 Story 🟂 Board



Richmond Tweed Regional Library Connect. Discover. Escape.



Primary school students with Zanni Louise Library Level 1

#### Dates for the rest of 2019

Thurs 5th Sept - Split classes Jesse and Zanni
Thurs 19th Sept - Combined Fantasy Writing workshop
with guest author Lian Hearn

Thurs 17th Oct - Split classes Jesse and Zanni
Thurs 31 Oct - Split classes Jesse and Zanni
Thurs 14 Nov - Split classes Jesse and Zanni
Thurs 28 Nov - Split classes Jesse and Zanni
Thurs 12 Dec -Combined class and anthology launch

#### **Uniform Requirements 2018**

School uniforms as shown below will be supplied by Lowes located in the Lismore Square, Lismore.

GIRLS	BOYS
Junior School Uniform	Junior School Uniform
<ul> <li>White, red or grey Richmond River logo polo shirt</li> <li>Black skirt, plain black mid thigh length shorts or long pants</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>White, red or grey Richmond River logo polo shirt</li> <li>Plain black shorts of an appropriate length or long pants</li> </ul>
Senior School Uniform	Senior School Uniform
<ul> <li>White, red or grey Richmond River logo polo shirt</li> <li>White buttoned senior shirt (and tie on formal occasions)</li> <li>Black skirt, plain mid thigh length black shorts or long pants (Tights are not acceptable)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>White, red or grey Richmond River logo polo shirt</li> <li>White buttoned senior shirt (and tie on formal occasions)</li> <li>Plain black shorts of an appropriate length or long pants</li> </ul>
Sport Uniform Junior	Sport Uniform Junior
<ul> <li>Red polo shirt</li> <li>Plain black mid thigh length shorts or black sport shorts (Tights are not acceptable)</li> <li>Special note: Students are required to change for PE lessons and change back to regular school uniform for remaining lessons</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Red polo shirt</li> <li>Plain black shorts of an appropriate length or black sport shorts</li> <li>Special note: Students are required to change for PE lessons and change back to regular school uniform for remaining lessons</li> </ul>
Winter Uniform Junior and Senior	Winter Uniform Junior and Senior
<ul> <li>White or grey Richmond River logo polo shirt</li> <li>White buttoned senior shirt (and tie on formal occasions)</li> <li>Plain black long pants or black jeans</li> <li>Black skirt, plain mid thigh length black shorts (Tights are not acceptable)</li> <li>Red Richmond River jumper</li> <li>Plain black, grey or red jumper or cardigan</li> <li>Years 11/12 designed school jumper or jacket</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>White or grey Richmond River logo polo shirt</li> <li>White buttoned senior shirt (and tie on formal occasions)</li> <li>Plain black long pants or black jeans</li> <li>Plain black shorts of an appropriate length</li> <li>Red Richmond River jumper</li> <li>Plain black, grey or red jumper</li> <li>Years 11/12 designed school jumper or jacket</li> </ul>

#### Please note

Tights, black T-shirts, singlets, tank tops, shirts with slogans, midriff tops, torn/ripped clothing or shorty shorts are not acceptable for school.

#### Please Note:

Work Health and Safety laws (2012) require all students working in a Technology practical classroom, Science labs and some CAPA classrooms to wear enclosed sturdy leather shoes. Students may not be able to participate in some activities in these practical classrooms if they are in canvas shoes.