

WEEK 10 / TERM 4 / 2023

From the Principal

Hello RRHC Community,

As this school year draws to a close, I wish to thank all our students for their commitment to their schooling and learning. Learning is not just about classroom activities, it's about social development, building positive relationships, and exploring new experiences. These have all been provided at RRHC, and our students have excelled this year.

From the beginning of Term 1 2023, when we were still moving into new classrooms and ordering equipment, we as a community have shown amazing resilience and have thrived in our new environment. We had camps for our Stage 4 and 5 students, and these were wonderful events. We received our new canteen that provides awesome food. We also worked with Granville Boys High to have a barber shop on-site.

Our Year 12 2023 students have achieved 12 Band 6 results and 48 Band 5 results, this is amazing, and it shows the dedication of our students to their studies. A massive thank you to our teachers for supporting students throughout their time at RRHC.

I am excited to see our students return in 2024 including our incoming Year 7 students. Year 7, 11, and 12 students return on Thursday 1/2/24, and 8, 9, and 10 students return on Friday 2/2/24. Staff are undertaking training on Tuesday and Wednesday to better support our students.

I wish to thank our P&C for their support of RRHC and the valuable contributions this team makes to the school. Our Student Representative Council has done some fundraisers this year and their voice is vital to the direction of the school.

I am looking forward to 2024 when we embark on another year of being Respectful, Responsible, Honest, and Caring with a focus on teaching and learning. We will continue to provide the best educational opportunities for our young people and build on the successes of this year.

"A holiday is an opportunity to journey within. It is also a chance to chill, to relax. It is when I switch on my rest mode." Prabhas

Have a happy and safe holiday.

Regards

Luke Woodward | Principal

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

Formal Assembly

On Monday we held our Academic Awards Assembly. Congratulations to all the students who received certificates and to all who have worked consistently and diligently throughout 2023. Our Assembly was led by our student leaders for 2024, Natalia and Aaron. Thank you to Ms Nickie Bartlett, Director of Educational Leadership Lismore, who acknowledged not only the award recipients but also the efforts of all students on their achievements this year. Thank you to our awesome Music students for your performances that were enjoyed by all.

Mr Woodward closed the Assembly by thanking teachers for creating learning opportunities for our students and parents and carers for helping our students to be the best they can be. We look forward to providing many learning experiences for our students in 2024.



Formal Assesmbly



Attendance Awards

This term 145 students attended over 95% of the time. These students all received a certificate in roll call and were placed in a draw to win one of five \$100 vouchers.

The winners are Digby Year 11, Haylee Year 11, Kyrstal Year 10, Mia Year 10, and Jasper Year 8. These students received their vouchers at the formal assembly today.

Justine Hinchey | Attendance Coordinator



Virtual STEM Academy Term 4

Congratulations to Sebastian, Lucie, Autumn, Reef, Eric, Zoe, Lillian, and Kaiya on completing a course during Term 4 offered by The NSW Virtual STEM Academy.

The program brings together high-potential STEM students from across NSW in a virtual environment. The program enables students to connect and solve STEM challenges while developing skills in collaboration, communication, critical thinking, and creativity. Thanks to RASE - Rivers Academy of STEM Excellence for enabling this opportunity for our students.

Louise Seccombe | Teacher-Librarian



Activites Week

On Wednesday we all enjoyed a great day at the Evans Head Pool. Thanks to Mr Prince for the photography.



ABC Heywire North Coast Regional Winner

Congratulations Daniella



Heywire Regional
Winner 2024



Sporting Success

Congratulations Caitlin

Caitlin has returned from the Australian All Schools Athletics Championships in Perth with two medals.

Gold and a personal best in the Under 20s women's Para Shot Put

Silver in the Under 20s women's Para Discus

Well done, Caitlin.



White Card Training

The Rivers White Card Training!



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Eighteen of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students from across The Rivers Secondary College attended a White Card Training Course with North Coast Community College.



This course covers the topics required to demonstrate the knowledge and skills to work safely in the construction industry. It is a basic entry-level course covering personal awareness, basic risk management, hazard identification, and emergencies.

With this certificate, students can go onto any construction site immediately and were issued with a Statement of Attainment for CPCWHS1001 Work safely in the construction industry.



Ms Elise Dessmann – Head Teacher Aboriginal Transition Learning and Engagement

Canteen Menu



RICHMOND RIVER HIGH CAMPUS CANTEEN PRICE LIST 2023

All prices are subject to change, when necessary, throughout the year

Canteen orders taken from 8.30am – RECESS 11.00am LUNCH 1.00pm

CHIPS

Sea salt	\$2.00 GF
Grain waves	\$2.00
Popcorn	\$1.00 GF

A variety of GF snacks available

FROZEN TREATS

Ice monkey	\$1.00
Vanilla ice cream cups	\$1.00
Quelch	\$1.00
Frozen fruit cups	\$1.00
(ABC + pineapple)	
Twisted frozen yoghurt	\$2.50

DRINKS

Water 600ml	\$2.00
Water 1ltr pop top	\$3.00
Plain milk 500ml	\$2.50
FM choc 300ml	\$3.00
Real choc 500ml	\$4.50
Real strawberry 500ml	\$4.50
Norco natural 500ml	\$4.50
(choc, malt & honey)	
Juice bombs 250ml	\$2.50
Bundy lemonade 500ml	\$4.00
Bundy tropical	\$4.00
Bundy 100% Orange	\$4.00

V : Vegetarian
GF : Gluten Free

SANDWICHES

Toasted	50c extra
Wholemeal/plain roll	50c extra
Gluten free bread	\$1.00 extra

Salad	\$5.00
Ham & salad	\$6.00
Chicken, lettuce & mayo	\$5.00
Ham & cheese	\$5.00
Ham, cheese & tomato	\$5.00
Vegemite or jam on request	\$2.00

WRAPS

Sweet chilli chicken	\$7.00
(sweet chilli tender, lettuce, cheese, sweet chilli & mayo)	

Falafel wrap	\$7.00 V
(falafel, lettuce, carrot, cucumber, tomato, hummus & tzatziki)	

** Make your own sandwich, wrap or roll
(ORDER ONLY)

SALAD BOX

\$7.00

INCLUDE: lettuce, tomato, carrot, cucumber, beetroot & corn. Other salad items available when in season.

Ham	
Chicken breast	
Egg	
Sweet chilli chicken tender	
Falafel – served with hommus & tzatziki	
Meat free salad available on request : V	

DAILY SPECIALS

Monday

Canteen Special	\$5.00
Hamburger	\$7.00
Meatball Sub	\$5.00
Garlic Beard	\$2.00
Hawaiin Burger	\$7.00
Vege Burger	\$7.00 V

Wednesday

Hot Dog	\$5.00
Turkish Melt	\$3.50
Ham & Cheese or Vege	
Hamburger	\$7.00
BLT	\$5.00

Friday

Sushi	\$7.50	
Nachos Beef or Vege	\$5.00	*Subject to change
Turkish Melt Ham & Cheese or Vege	\$3.50	

Tuesday

Sushi	\$7.50
Korean Chicken Burger	\$6.00
Pesto Pasta Salad	\$6.00
Chicken or Vege	
Double Cheeseburger	\$7.00

Thursday

Chicken & Gravy Roll	\$5.00
Meatball Sub	\$5.00
Double Cheeseburger	\$7.00
Garlic Beard	\$2.00

HOT FOOD

Tomato sauce	50c extra
BBQ sauce	50c extra

Meat Pie	\$5.00
Bacon & Cheese Pie	\$6.00
Pepper Steak Pie	\$6.00
Sausage Roll	\$4.00
Spinach & Cheese pie	\$6.00 V
Pizza Rounda	\$4.00
Hash Brown	\$1.00 V

EXTRAS

Variety of fresh and baked goods changing daily – check whiteboard from \$1.50
Vegemite scrolls \$1.00
Yoghurt and granola cups \$3.00
Fresh fruit available daily

Bring your own apple to be slinkied for free
Available on request:

- Gluten free chicken
- Tuna & salmon

P&C Information

Richmond River High Campus P&C Association

The P&C meets every term. It brings parents, citizens, students and teaching staff into close cooperation, providing the school with valued feedback to establish and develop school policy. The P&C encourages parents and carers to get involved and meet with the School Executive to chat, ask questions and discuss school related issues.



Absence Notifications

If your student has been marked as absent for the day on the roll, you will receive an SMS on your mobile phone. All you need to do is explain the absence in your reply and it will be pushed through to their attendance record for this absence notification only. Please DO NOT send messages to this number at other times or send picture messages to the number as they cannot be retrieved.

Parking on Military Road

Parents are asked, when picking up or dropping off students, to not park on the grassed area outside Northern Rivers Buslines (opposite the RRHC entry gates) on Military Rd.
Thank you for considering our neighbours.

**NO
PARKING**

It's the time of year when we try new things, meet people and have new experiences. Listen to your body; it will always let you know if what you are doing or being asked to do is safe.






#saysomething #stymie
#studentsfirst #kindnessalways
#wegotyou #endoftheyear
#staysafe #bekindtoyourmind



Canteen Online Ordering

How to set up your Flexischools account

The Flexischools online canteen ordering portal is now up and running, ready for you to create your account and place your orders.

 <p>1. Download our app</p> <p>The Flexischools app is the easiest way to place online lunch orders.</p>	 <p>2. Register</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open the Flexischools App and click 'Register'. • Submit your email address to create an account. • Go to your inbox and open the registration email from Flexischools. Click on the link and follow the registration process.
 <p>3. Log in to your Flexischools account and enter your child's details</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Once your account is set up, log into the Flexischools App • Select the 'Profile' icon on the navigation bar. Under 'Students', click 'Add new'. Enter your child's name, school, year level, and class. Click 'submit'. 	<p>How to order food on our app</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Click 'Order food' at the top of the app home screen 2 Select which student you would like to place an order for 3 Choose which service you would like to order (e.g. lunch) 4 Choose which date to order 5 Select any items you want to order 6 When you have finished adding items, click 'confirm order' 7 Complete payment to place your order
	



AI As A Learning & Processing Tool: What Parents Need To Know

Artificial Intelligence (AI), particularly tools like ChatGPT, are set to become a significant part of our children's learning journey starting in 2024. Here's a breakdown of what you need to know about this development:

AI as a Learning and Processing Tool

Since its introduction in 2022, AI tools like ChatGPT have been instrumental in enhancing educational experiences. These tools have been likened to calculators or the internet by Australian Federal Education Minister Jason Clare, emphasising their inevitable role in modern education.

Addressing Concerns

There have been concerns, such as plagiarism and privacy, surrounding the use of AI in schools. However, a commitment has been made to work with the technology constructively, ensuring that its benefits are maximised while mitigating potential drawbacks.

Preparing Students for the Future

The objective is to prepare students for their future, not our past. We need to help them to navigate the world with and without technology. Emphasis is being placed on educating students on how to use technology to support, but not replace, human interactions. As we navigate through the exciting waters of educational transformation, proactive steps are essential to ensure that our community—educators and parents alike—are well-prepared and confident to embrace the integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in our schools.

For Our Teachers

Safe on Social, our cyber safety partner, is offering a wealth of professional learning opportunities. These resources are designed to equip our educators with the necessary knowledge and skills, ensuring they are adept at guiding students in leveraging AI tools like ChatGPT safely, effectively and responsibly.

For Our Parents

Understanding that this transition is new for parents as well, we are committed to keeping you informed and supported. Parent information sessions on AI in Education will be made available throughout 2024. These sessions aim to provide clarity, answer your queries, and offer guidance on how you can support your children in this new learning environment.

Lowes Uniform Price List



Lowes Lismore
Lismore Square
02 6621 2103



RICHMOND RIVER HIGH CAMPUS

FEMALE		RRP
92316 All Year SNR	Short Sleeve White Overblouse SNR	\$43.95
77978 All Year	Black Skirt	\$62.95
89119 All Year	Light Grey Polo Top	\$45.95
59127 All Year	White Polo Top	\$45.95
59126 All Year	Red Polo Top	From \$47.95
95003 All Year	Unisex black cargo shorts	From \$25.95
73429 All Year / Winter	Black/Red Microfiber Jacket	\$68.95
MALE		
84237 All Year SNR	Short Sleeve Shirt SNR	From \$43.95
96359 All Year	L/L Black Shorts	From \$36.95
95050 All Year	Black Deluxe Shorts	\$49.95
89119 All Year	Light Grey Polo Top	\$45.95
59127 All Year	White Polo Top	\$45.95
59126 All Year	Red Polo Top	From \$47.95
95003 All Year	Unisex black cargo shorts	From \$25.95
73429 All Year / Winter	Black/Red Microfiber Jacket	\$68.95
ACCESSORIES		
97975 All Year	White Trafalgar Crew Socks	\$5.95
97906 All Year / Sport	White Sport Socks	\$5.95

Effective 4th December 2023

Support our P&C

HEMP POLOS

GREY
RED
WHITE

ALL SALE PROCEEDS GO TO THE RRHC P&C

\$35 EACH

Why wear hemp?

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HELP YOUR P&C TO SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL

School Bytes

AVAILABLE NOW!

We are excited to announce our school will be transitioning to a more flexible and simplified way parent/carers can make payments

The Parent Portal

- Easily make a payment online
- Download your receipt
- Sign and return permission notes digitally coming soon
- Use any credits on your account to make payment
- View your complete payment history
- Request a refund

AVAILABLE DURING TERM 3

School Bytes

Register for the Parent Portal via the QR Code or visit <https://portal.schoolbytes.education>

Assessment Calendar

Year 12 Term 1 2024

Visual Arts CAPA Assessment Task 1 Proposal + Progress Mark and Essay Introductions *due 13.2.2024 (Term 1 Wk3)*

Physics Assessment Task 2 Depth Study Presentation *due 11.2.2024 (Term 1 Wk7)*

Biology Assessment Task 2 Depth Study 'Biotechnology' *due 18.3.2024 (Term 1 Wk8)*

Events Calendar

Term 4

15 December Last Day of Term for Students

18 December Last day of term for Staff

Term 1 2024

1 February Years 7, 11 & 12 students Return.

2 February Year 8,9 & 10 students Return.

15 February Swimming Carnival

22 February School Photos



Back To School Book information



The Rivers Richmond River High Campus. Ordering Guide

Dolphin Office Choice is a locally owned and operated company and would like to thank the Richmond River School Community for supporting local business.

As a thank you for your support, we will be **donating 5%** of all sales made back to your school.

To start ordering please note the following:

- Go to: <https://dolphin.officechoice.com.au/richmondrrhs> (Click this link or copy this URL into google)
- Select your Year Level from the drop-down menu on the Home Page and adjust item quantities as required.
- Multiple Book Packs can be ordered and supplied in the one delivery. When you complete one order you will be asked if you wish to make an order for another student. Follow the prompts. You will pay for all Bookpacks once when checking out. Bookpacks are supplied separately for each student.
- Pick Up is free from one of our stores (see below). Home Deliveries will incur a \$14.95 Charge and will be made ASAP. You can select either option at checkout.

We will phone you when your pack is ready for collection. Stores are open Monday to Friday, 9.00 am to 4.30 pm:

Ballina	Ph: 66 864866	47 River Street Ballina
Byron Bay	Ph: 66 857097	52 Centennial Ct Byron Bay
Lismore	Ph: 66 219066	15 Three Chain Road South Lismore
Mullumbimby	Ph: 66 842026	24 Burringbar Street Mullumbimby

Please place your order/s ASAP.



Back to School 2024

Applications are now open for St Vincent de Paul Back to School Assistance

- All enrolled students at The Rivers Secondary College, Richmond River High Campus are eligible.
- Please call 6621 5835 between 9 am-4 pm Monday to Friday to apply.
- Applications will close on 23 January 2024.
- Note: our office will be closed between Christmas and New Year.



Vinnies

Community information

UNSW 2024 Coding Challenge Invites You All



Immerse yourself into this **dangerous zombie world** to save people!

How to Participate

- 1 CHOOSE & ENROLL**
roboticscodingchallenge.org
Choose the e-learning course you want, and then enroll.
- 2 STUDY**
Study coding with the e-learning course you choose during the challenge period.
- 3 CODE & SUBMIT**
Create and code your own game, and then submit it.



UNSW Associate Professor Riza Yosia Sunindijo

The 2024 UNSW Robotics Coding Challenge is an initiative supported by the NSW government. It offers online coding courses to students in Australia, aiming to reach many Australian students especially girls and students in remote areas. This coding challenge helps students learn STEM, Robotics, Coding, and Construction Engineering to inspire students to be future engineers.

Coding Challenge Details



Scan the QR code to get more details

Homepage: roboticscodingchallenge.org

Participants Fee: \$30

Target: K-Y12

(This coding challenge is suitable to all levels including beginners)

Challenge Preparation Period: From Summer Holiday 2023 till the end of Term 1 2024

Challenge Submission Deadline: By 10 PM 12 April 2024

Award Ceremony: 24 April 2024 At UNSW

Coding Theme: Save the world from the dangerous zombies

Coding Software: Scratch Junior, Scratch, Entry, and Python

Code Building Guidelines:

1. Material collection: The more interesting the enemies or obstacles you create, the higher your score increases.
2. Code to build various buildings and elements (weapons) when enough materials are collected.
3. Create an engaging story to make the game fun to play.



Certificate, Trophies, medals, and gifts are prepared for eligible students.



Participants All students in Australia are invited.



You Are a Great Gem You can be anything you want to be. Use this opportunity to push your limits.

AN EVENING AT SAE

Bring a picnic rug and join us on campus for our first Info Night event of 2024!


FEATURING LIVE MUSIC BY:

KENZO CRUZ & IN THE FLOWERS

as well as local market stalls.

WHEN: Thursday the 18th January - 5pm-8pm
WHERE: SAE Byron Bay - 373/391 Ewingsdale Rd, Byron Bay

To register, scan the QR code.
Or head to our website:
<https://sae.edu.au/event/sae-byron-bay-info-night/>



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NSW GOVERNMENT

acyp recovery youth support service.



who we are

The ACYP Recovery Youth Support Service is made up of experienced, trauma informed, and passionate specialists.

what we do

If you're under 24 years, the team can speak with you to better understand what forms of support would be most valuable to you and your community while moving towards recovery.

The team will also partner with local providers to make sure you receive tailored support for your mental health, wellbeing and own recovery journey by linking you up with the available services.

when we do it

We're on the ground now and would love to hear from you! Connect with the team to share your voice and hear more about the ways we can support children and young people in the area.

where we do it

Flood affected areas of NSW.

why we do it

We will take the information that you share with us to key decision makers in government and non-government organisations to inform decisions and service delivery that impacts children and young people.

The conversations we have with you will be used to assist organisations in designing supports that meet the current and future needs of children and young people.

connect with recovery youth support service



Scan the QR code with your phone to open a new email or drop us a line at:

youthsupportservices@acyp.nsw.gov.au

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