Casino Beef Week

Three steers prepared by our Agriculture students, “Pig” a Greyman, “Nigel” a Speckle Park and “Red fella” a Hereford, competed on Saturday at Casino Beef Week in the led steer competition. In the sale ring after the led steer competition, “Pig” made $6 a kilogram, “Nigel” made $5.50 a kilo and “Red fella” $5.10 a kilo. Whilst they didn’t win a place on the hoof, they were very successful on the hook, with “Pig” placing second in his class and “Nigel” coming third in his class. This was a great achievement for all involved in their preparation. On the day thanks to Olivia Riley, Riley McIntyre, Paul Stuckey, Aaron Mazzer and Chris Flood for handling and preparation of the steers. Well done to Mr Woodward and Mrs Ford for their work with the students and the steers.
**Buckley Shield v Maclean**

Following their victory over Kyogle the Under 14 Rugby League team travelled to Maclean Showgrounds to take on Maclean.

The teams were evenly matched for the first ten minutes and then Maclean got two length of field tries going into half time leading 28 nil.

The boys worked hard in the second half and kept Maclean to only ten points.

We had two tries disallowed and Darcy Travis was unlucky not score after being brought down one on one by the fullback. Jackson Turner was voted players player.

Special thanks to Mr French for coaching and Toby Thorley and Jordan McMahon for their help on the day.

*Tim Laverty*

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**Rookie gets home in first game**

The Richmond River High School Open Boys Baseball team versed Lismore High School in the Proud Shield Knockout on Monday 1st June at Albert Park.

The RRHS team was victorious after a shaky start toppling the young Lismore side 5-2. Outstanding performances came from both pitchers, Damien Santin and Lachlan Allen, the new MVP Lachlan Currie who managed to get on base on every bat and Jake Fisher who managed to get home on his very first hit.

The team will now need to travel south to play either Macksville, Melville or Woolgoolga, to stay alive in the High Schools Proud Shield Knockout.

The team members played with the level of sportsmanship that has come to be expected from the Richmond River High School; playing hard but playing fair, and they are to be congratulated on their sportsmanship and behaviour.

*Scott Hogden*

*Baseball Manager*

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**Cancer Council Biggest Morning Tea**

The staff raised over $500 for the Cancer Council last Friday, thank you to the RRHS Leo's Club members who assisted with the set up, ticket selling and clean up, Ellie, Grace, Breana and Taylah.
Young Cub, Jessica Martin, recognised for her Leo’s Efforts

On Monday night, 1st June, members of the RRHS Leo’s Club attended the annual Leo’s Change-Over Dinner hosted by the Lismore Lions Club. The event was held at the East Lismore Bowling Club and was a fantastic opportunity for the Leos to mingle with the Lions.

The purpose of the night is to hand over the responsibilities of executive positions within the Leo’s group from the 2014-15 year to the 2015-16 year. The Leo’s members that were elected into the new executive positions were Jessica Martin (Year 10) into President, Zoe Bertuzzi (Year 12) into Vice-President, Jazmin Bertuzzi (Year 8) into Treasurer and Grace Price (Year 9) into Secretary. Congratulations to these students for their election into these important roles. Jessica Martin was also awarded the Lion’s Jack Mason Award for her sustained effort and commitment to the RRHS Leo’s Club over the last 3 years. A great honour only awarded to the most passionate of the Leo’s members.

The Leo’s Club at RRHS is into its 8th year and the contributions made by all members past and present, are nothing short of inspirational. They commit their lunch time every Thursday to meeting with the group to discuss community matters and how they can become involved to alleviate some of the issues pressuring society. An area of focus that is currently being targeted is the donation to an organisation called “Stand for Trees” which provides support to communities that exist in endangered forest regions. Stand for Trees takes donated funds and purchases carbon offsets that ensure trees in these communities are not cut down by loggers for monetary gain. Essentially, “Stand for Trees” is making trees more valuable to the communities, then they are to the loggers and therefore these endangered forests are being conserved for future generations. The RRHS Leo’s group intend to donate $500 to the organisation which purchases 50 tonnes of carbon emissions that would normally be released into the atmosphere. Not only does this donation improve air quality and reduce carbon emissions now and in the future, but it also supports indigenous communities that rely on the forests for food, shelter and cultural activities.

If you are a student interested in joining the Leo’s, then please see Mr Hogden in the Science staffroom for more information.

If you need some support whether it is financially or physically, then perhaps the Leo’s club can assist. We are currently looking for volunteering opportunities in not for profit organisations within the community so if you are after an extra helping hand from a group of passionate young individuals, then please contact Mr Hogden at RRHS on 02 66213456, or email him on scott.hogden@det.nsw.edu.au.

Mr Hogden
Leo’s Coordinator
Dear Parents/Caregivers,

A mandatory segment of our Year 12 Community and Family Studies curriculum is to complete an Independent Research Program (IRP).

For this research project I, along with the rest of my course, must create a subject on which to research. We then conduct questionnaires to assist in the summarisation of our findings. My chosen subject is ‘What are the consequences of binge drinking by 13-16 year old girls?’

To complete this I am providing anonymous questionnaires to the girls within this age group at Richmond River. This is completely voluntary.

All questionnaires will remain anonymous without exception and respect will be maintained regarding all participants. If you have any objections to the possibility of your child being involved in this questionnaire you are welcome to contact Mr Eakin in our PDHPE department (Phone: 02 66 213 456).

Thank you for your time.

Jade, Year 12 Student
WORLD VISION Youth Conference 2015

On Thursday May 28th four RRHS students braved an early start as the bus driver Steve picked us up at 5.45am to begin our journey to the Dream Centre on the Gold Coast. Students from Kadina and their Chaplain, Katie Watts, departed with us and we had a number of student and staff pick-ups on our journey north. We arrived in good time to a great bustle of students, a splendid welcome and a painless registration process! Our first task was to begin a team photo collection of various poses in various places in various guises (see photo). At the end of the day we all received a T-shirt or two for our efforts. All students joined in an amazing game that started out as a simple effort to provide food and housing for the country to which they were allocated and ended up as a massive attempt to take-over surrounding nations and to build forces to resist take-over.

Here is Alex's account: "During the meeting we were asked to participate in a simulation. In the simulation there were pieces of paper spread out on the floor - they were land. Each country got two pieces of land. Each country was told to survive on each plot of land by making four houses and four cows for each plot. (There was a time limit for each round and countries that failed to make enough cows and houses had to be abandoned - or they could be taken over). Other than cows and houses we could make tanks and buses (equal value). After making the necessary pieces to survive people started to make tanks and buses to invade other countries (mainly tanks!). After we had finished the simulation we were told that we had no need of tanks or buses. The facts are that power corrupts and that is what happened with the tanks. We were told to focus on survival and people attacked with tanks (countries were wiped out and coalitions formed)."

It was a thought provoking lesson in how easy it is to become side tracked from helping people survive and just how easy it is to abuse power and misuse resources. We saw a number of awesome video clips and heard a number of passionate speakers and World Vision Youth Ambassadors. We were challenged with the reality that we have enough resources and food now so that no one on this planet should need to go to bed hungry or die of starvation! Infant mortality rates and the number of children who die of starvation (currently 18,000 daily) are slowly decreasing due to the efforts of World Vision and other Relief Agencies. The challenge to us was to eradicate starvation in our world in our lifetime. The 40 Hour Famine is coming up in the near future and we will support RRHS students and community to get behind this great event and to help make the challenge a reality in our lifetime. Thank you to Matilda Kohlhagen, Minnie Robertson, Tanisha Wiles and Alex Larsen. You represented our school exceptionally well at this event and we look forward to your leadership, vision, and energy in helping us change our world.

Mr v. B., School Chaplain

**Please Note this date**

40 Hour Famine Rivers College Launch

Come along and see how you can be a part of helping others launch day is Monday June 15th, at 1:00 - 1:40 (lunchtime) in the River Theatre with Megan our District World Vision Representative.
SCU Science and Engineering Challenge

On Wednesday 3rd June, 29 enthusiastic Year 10 students participated in a day of intriguing challenges and inspiring goals at the Science and Engineering Challenge at SCU. The students were broken into teams to compete in one of eight different tests of problem-solving and efficiency. Some teams completed a full day activity that saw groups build unbreakable bridges, highly manoeuvrable hovercraft, versatile Mars rovers and unflappable modern homes. The other teams competed in two half day tasks that saw groups build earthquake proof towers, effectively distribute water through a maze of tubing, manage a town's electricity grid and build a bionic hand.

Our student embraced every challenge with confidence and a good sense of humour. As a team, they demonstrated high levels of communication, teamwork and ingenuity. All the teams came up against stiff competition and some teams were able to win their particular challenge (Mars Rover and second in the Bridge). The students were excellent role models for the school and are hopefully inspired to undertake science and engineering in the future.

Mr B. Yates, HT Science
**From the Principal**

**Dear Parents and Carers**

**Year 10 into 11 Subject Selection**

We are holding our annual Year 10 into Year 11 Subject Selection evening this coming Thursday 11th June beginning at 6 p.m. This evening is a great opportunity for parents and students to hear about the range of curriculum options that will be available next year for when they move into Year 11. Please come along and find out about the various course requirements and the range of pathways that are available for students to complete their senior schooling at Richmond River. Students and parents will also be provided with information about pattern of study requirements so that all students fully understand if they are starting a solely academic pathway, a work related pathway or even a transition pathway through apprenticeships and traineeships.

My key message for this group of students is that each student must pick 12 units of courses at Richmond River as well as any TAFE based courses that they might like to pursue. This is important because TAFE courses are not guaranteed to run until around Week 4 of Term 1. Because of this in the past some of our students have been disappointed by missing out on their preferred course choices as a result of TAFE courses not running.

This is the link to view the HSC Course information booklet [http://bit.ly/1MnPERt](http://bit.ly/1MnPERt). You will be given a hard copy on Wednesday at the subject market. Also please see page 9 of this newsletter for more details. We look forward to seeing you on Thursday in our MPU!

**Dave Harvey**  
**Principal**

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**From the Deputy**

I continue to hear great news about the students at our school. Three of our students have been selected for State Drama Camp for talented Year 11 stars of the future. Usually only one student from each school is accepted. The camp is a terrific opportunity for Jamali Bowden, Lilly Allan-Moon and Kalindi Salvo-Sampson to mix with other talented students from across the state. The success is testament to the quality teaching from Miss McKinlay, our Drama teacher.

In recent assemblies I have spoken to students about the litter in the playground. I have asked students to take the responsibility to put their rubbish in the bins provided. There has been a slight improvement, but there is still a large amount of litter left in the grounds after recess and lunch. There are plenty of bins in the playground to use, but some students are not bothering to use them. We are monitoring the situation closely and if there isn’t significant improvement we may restrict the playground areas or hold the first half of lunch in the MPU. Let’s work together to fix the litter problem and look after each other at school.

**Peter Howes**  
**Deputy Principal**

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**YEAR 12 CURRY LUNCH FUNDRAISER**

Well done to Year 12 who raised over $1300 through the sale of vegetarian and chicken curries on Tuesday to go towards their Formal at the end of the year. Thank you to Avjinder Sodhi and Julie Sidhu who cooked the delicious curries and to the extended Sidhu family and the Year 12 students for their organisation and delivery of curries to staff and students on the day.

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**General Admission**

**Performances will be on:**

**Wednesday June 17 Evening** @ 6:30 p.m.

**Thursday June 18 Matinee** @ 1 p.m. and **Evening @ 6:30 p.m.**

**General Admission Ticket prices are available from Lismore City Hall Box Office from June 1st**  
**phone: 02 66 22 0300 or www.lismorecityhall.com.au**  
**$18 Adults $12 (Concession/ Children)**  
This will be an event not to be missed!
Attention all Parents and 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

Attention all Parents and Carers

Our newsletter the ‘River Views’ 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 front office to collect a paper copy at 3.15 p.m. on Friday afternoons.

If you would like a copy emailed to you then please contact the front office on 66 213 456.
Senior Curriculum Information Evening
Students entering Year 11 in 2016 and their parents

Thursday June 11, 2015 in the MPU: 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Chris Salie – Year Advisor
Mr. Dave Harvey – Principal
Mr. Tom Edwards – Deputy Principal
Mr. Jim Seelwood – HSC Head Teacher
Mr. Sarah Hellwell – Board of Studies

Acknowledgement of Country:
Welcome to parents, carers and students

Course Information: Number of units to be studied at school:
The Rivers College – Opportunities for a wide curriculum choice.
Course Selection procedure for students:
Board of Studies requirements:

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Dear Parent/Career,

We are pleased to invite you to attend our senior student information evening. It is expected that you will come along with your sons and daughters to discuss HSC subject offerings in Year 11, 2016 and Year 12, 2017.

During the evening you will be provided with information by our Head Teachers and specialist teachers. Topics to be covered include:

- Making wise subject choices
- Career paths
- Subject and course options.

Students will be emailed a link through their school email to view the Senior Curriculum Book on line. Richmond River High School will be conducting a subject market for Year 10 students on Wednesday 10th June from 10.00am to 2pm in the MPU. At this market students will hear a brief talk from each Head Teacher to inform students of the subject choices within their HSC area. The Curriculum booklet will be issued at the beginning of the market for students to take notes during the information sessions and to take home to discuss subject options with their parents.

As parents and students discuss these handouts and other information, many questions will be raised. We hope to answer all your questions during initial talks with time being allocated at the end of the evening for questions to be answered in small groups or at individual interviews with Head Teachers.

Choosing a pattern of study for the senior year’s learners many important decisions by our students and their families. Therefore, we strongly urge you to attend this special evening which will determine many students’ career paths and life choices.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr. Dave Harvey
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English and Mathematics Competitions

Any students who wish to challenge themselves in English and/or Mathematics there are currently opportunities to compete from Years 7-12 in the annual “International Competition and Assessments for Schools” ICAS. It is a great way to challenge yourself and test your knowledge.

Any interested students should see Mr Mitchell for more information and an entry form.
Vikings are coming to Lismore!

Rognvald’s Lith, Lismore’s medieval re-enactment group, are recreating an authentic Viking village to celebrate the Winter Solstice on Saturday 20th and 21st June 2015. The Viking Village Solstice will take place on Jolly Field (corner Uralba & Dawson streets) Lismore, in conjunction with the Lismore Lantern Parade.

The Viking Village Solstice will showcase many aspects of Viking life, from the battle techniques the Vikings were known for, to the domestic activities that they engaged in on a daily basis. Handcrafting activities such as weaving, woodworking, bone carving, sewing and the older skills of sprang weaving and naalbinding (a kind of Viking knitting) will be demonstrated by members of our group. There will also be weapon demonstrations and combat between our warriors, as well as archery and axe-throwing competitions. All our re-enactors will be authentically dressed, and we will be joined by re-enactors from Brisbane, Armidale and Coffs Harbour. Our Village will have authentic tents and living spaces, as well as traditional cooking and food preparations.

We would like to invite you to come and see our Village - this is a great opportunity for you and students to see what life was like for the Viking age people. We would also be very glad to answer any questions, and also to receive any input from teachers as well. Rognvald’s Lith currently perform school shows in the local area, and we would be interested in hearing how to make this more applicable to classroom content. In addition, we are giving some thought to extending the Viking Village Solstice to a weekday in the future, to allow school students to enter into a more interactive experience of Viking life. We would be grateful for any feedback on our event, especially on ways that students’ experience of living history might further illustrate the depth enquiry topics in their study of Vikings within the National Curriculum.

We look forward to seeing you at our event. We would like to offer free admission for teachers who bring a copy of this letter. If you have any questions about the day or about any of our activities or displays, please feel free to contact me via email at rognvaldslithvikings@gmail.com, or visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/VikingVillageSolstice.

Eloise Bredenhof
Program co-ordinator, Viking Village Solstice

Come and join the celebration on Saturday June 20th for a full day of kids activities, concerts and market delights starting at 10 a.m.

Oaks Oval - tickets on sale now! Don’t miss out on all the excitement from 4 p.m. Come grab the best seats in the house to see the Viking battle, circus excitement, and live music before the lantern parade performance followed by the Fiery Finale concert. BYO picnic blankets and smiles.

For more details and tickets, go online at lanternparade.com, over the counter at Lismore Visitors Centre and PowerMax or by phoning 1300 87 83 87.

To be involved as community members to carry lanterns in the parade and receive free tickets for the Fiery Finale Concert at Oaks Oval call (02) 66226333 or email festival@lanternparade.com.
Make Online Payments

It is now possible for parents to make online payments to the school for amounts owing for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. The payment page is accessed from the front page of the schools website by selecting $ Make a payment.

Items that can be paid include voluntary school contributions, subject contributions, excursions, sales to students and creative and practical arts activities (these include band, drama and dance). There is also a category called Other this to cover items not covered in the previous headings, Other can be used to make a complete payment of a school invoice.

When you access the $ Make a payment you must enter:

- the students name, and class and reference number

OR

- the students name, and date of birth.

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system. There is also the option to enter the Student Registration Number and Invoice number if you are aware of them.

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner, these details are not passed back to the school. You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child’s account. As a receipt has been issued from the payment page a further receipt will not be issued by the school.

Please ensure that if you use this method to pay for Excursions that you tick the appropriate box on the permission note.

For any enquiries regarding the Online Payment process please contact the School Administration Office on 66213456.
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在生物学中，学生将学习如何设计和执行科学实验，从而理解生物学的科学研究方法。学生将学习如何使用现代生物技术工具，如基因编辑和基因组学，以及如何利用这些工具来解决生物学问题。学生还将学习如何阅读和理解科学文献，以及如何有效地与科学界的同行进行交流。

生物学课程还将提供学生在生物医学研究领域的实习机会。学生将有机会参与实验室研究，从而更好地了解科学研究的实践。学生还有机会参与研究项目，从而更好地理解科学研究的理论基础。

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