Year 12 Major Projects

Industrial Technology Timber major projects and folios were marked by the Board of Studies examiners on Monday. The display was set up in Room 49. The projects made this year were a bar, a kitchen island bench, bedside tables, chest of drawers and a coffee table. The bar and island bench were of an excellent standard. Well done to the students for completing their major project.

Mr Stegeman
TAS Teacher
Year 12 Farewell Photo Booth

Not only was the recent Year 12 Farewell Social, held at the Lismore Workers Club, a complete success for raising funds for the Year 12 Formal, but it was also opportunity to catch the memories on camera. The RRHS Leo’s Club arranged for a Photo booth provided by Black Tie Photo booths to be available on the night with each group needing to contribute $2 for each photo. Some students became addicted to the photo booth sensation and paid for up to $20 of photos and the funds raised from the photo booth went to the Year 12 Formal cause; a total of $154 was donated from the Leo’s Club.

The event was a complete success and the an enormous thank you goes to Felicity and Philip at Black Tie Photo Booths for giving us a great rate on hiring, so that our donation was maximised. Information on their service can be found at www.blacktiephotobooths.com.au or you can call them on 0430 216 600.

Mr S Hogden
Leo’s Coordinator
RRHS students go to SCU Engineering course launch

Southern Cross University launched their Mechanical Engineering course for next year and invited high school science students to participate in the launch. Over forty RRHS students took this opportunity. To celebrate the launch, students listened to a lecture from Australian astronaut Dr Paul Scully-Power. Dr Scully-Power went into space during the Challenger program. His experiences and stories were informative and inspiring. To close the day, the students were able to participate in a version of robotic sumo wrestling using Lego robotics sets. The day provided a chance for our students to experience what university is like and to meet an extraordinary Australian that has seen the world from a different perspective.

Mr B Yates
Head Teacher Science

Year 8 Students Looking to Engineer the Future

Students in 8.4 Science were given the opportunity to hear firsthand what is involved with and how to become a Power Engineer. The class had been studying a unit of Energy. Throughout the unit they were lucky enough to be able to interact with some technologies that were provided to the school by a company called ATSE (Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering), through a new program called STELR (Science and Technology Education Leveraging Relevance). These resources were provided to RRHS as a pilot school to provide feedback on how the resources work in a classroom setting.

As a result of being a pilot school, these Year 8 RRHS students experienced a presentation provided by a 3rd year engineering student currently studying at Sydney University. Marco Hurtado identified what is needed in the future and how students could become involved in an Engineering career, and promoted the need for more women in this field. Many of the students asked insightful questions of Marco regarding possible pathways for future energy pathways.

In addition to this presentation, some independent assessors of the STELR program were welcomed to the school to see exactly how the materials were being introduced and implemented in the classroom. A selection of Year 8 students engaged in a lesson demonstrating how kinetic energy, in the form of wind energy, could be transformed into electrical energy, which could be potentially used to power homes. These guests were pleasantly surprised with how the students were so excited and interested in using the equipment and accurately experimented on different variables to maximise power output. The future is looking bright for these young RRHS students and they are congratulated on their mature and engaged response to the learning experiences.

Mr S Hogden
STELR Coordinator
Junior Music Showcase

Wednesday evening saw our Junior music students put on an awesome and amazing showcase of their musical talents. Well done to all the students and special thanks to Ben Wordsworth and Anthony Mitchell, our music teachers, who were supported by Brad Redden and others to put on such an outstanding evening of music.
HSC Drama Practicals

On Wednesday, 26th August our talented Year 12 Drama students performed their final practicals. There was an eclectic mix as usual with each student performing as a part of a Group Piece and their own choice of an Individual Project.

**Group Pieces:** Lucy Serventy, Julia Batten and Deana Batten masterfully interwove a variety of 80’s lyrics to create a hilarious Melodrama piece. ‘Annabelle’, the brainchild of Joy Knight-Smith and Jackson Grassby-Jones is a heartfelt revelation about the insidious consequences of domestic violence on families. The third group including Ava Callachor, Amy Feain, Montana Hancock and Ruby Mueller developed a social comment on the isolationism within society as a result of a fast-paced disposable and increasingly distant society. Each performance stood out for their variety and originality. The students were a roaring success and deserve our awe and applause.

**Individual Projects** are outlined below:

* A hopeful Christmas Eve ending disastrously, Jackson Grassby-Jones
* Alberta a powerful sorceress in a crusty old woman’s shell, Amy Feain
* An over-exuberant talent contestant who extracts revenge against ‘Satan’, Deanna Batten
* A social commentary on the effects of attachment disorder, Julia Batten
* A distraught teenager suffering PTSD from a traumatic car accident, Joy Knight-Smith
* A brave holocaust survivor, Ruby Mueller
* Montana Hancock developed a website “Mon’s meanderings” for her magnificent reviews that were a complex recreation of her theatrical experience. [https://monsmeanderings.wordpress.com/](https://monsmeanderings.wordpress.com/)
* Lucy Serventy prepared a charming publicity portfolio for the play: ‘La Bacchae’
* Ava Callachor created a strongly conceptualised publicity portfolio for the play: ‘Rosencrantz and Guildenstern.’
TAS and SCIENCE COLLEGIATE MEETING

The Science/Technical and Applied Science Assistants Collegiate meeting was hosted by RRHS yesterday. We had about twenty Assistants from other schools in the region. Our program included: Mindfulness with Paul Hurley with very positive feedback and all participants are looking forward to putting into practice the newly learned techniques. A sumptuous lunch followed which was in part prepared by our Year 12 Hospitality class and this was enjoyed by all.

Science Assistants had a master class run by Scott Hogden on alternative energy using recently donated sustainable energy kits supplied by the Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering, whose aim is to show students the relevance of science in their lives.

TAS Assistants had a round the table discussion regarding strategies and time management on single period practicals which are being introduced by Alstonville High School next year. It was as always a very positive and constructive collegiate which was enjoyed and appreciated by all. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who contributed to make the collegiate a success.

*Sue Wraight, TAS Assistant and Ellie Maher, Science Assistant*

BOX FIT PROGRAM

This term a Box fit program has been running at RRHS. The program is run twice a week, during sport and last two periods on Thursday. It is primarily an Indigenous program with other students invited by their friends. It is designed to improve the students’ fitness and self-confidence as well as engaging them in school in a unique way. The program has been running during Term 3 and will continue into Term 4.

We have seen some school engagement improvements already which are great and the students’ strength and fitness has also improved. Today we had an ex RRHS student, Michael, an Australian Karate Champion and current Karate instructor teach the group. He is teaching the students how to get fit and how to stay fit as part of the Box fit program. The students are lucky to have someone as experienced as Michael taking an interest in the current students. Thank you, Dean Marshall for organising and running this program.
The Rivers College are proud to announce

‘Rivers MADness’
– a spectacular evening of Music, Art and Drama that will showcase the brilliant talents of our Year 12 HSC Creative and Performing Arts students.

Richmond River High, Lismore High and Kadina High Campuses will join forces on Tuesday the 1st of September for the inaugural Rivers College CAPA event. The evening will commence with the exhibition of HSC artworks, at 5 p.m. at the ‘Bank Café’ Molesworth St Lismore. Guests will be greeted with drinks and canapés, from 5 p.m. and Mayor Jenny Dowell will officially open the evening. From 6 p.m., Guests will take a short stroll to the Star Court Theatre for the commencement of the Music and Drama performances at 6.15 p.m. The evening is expected to conclude at approximately 8 p.m.

‘Rivers MADness’ is set to be an amazing presentation of our public school community’s most talented at their creative best! The culmination of our students continued dedication and love of the arts is on display for one night only, so come and share in their special talents and be inspired by their passion! We look forward to seeing you there!

A reminder to all students (and staff and parents) RRHS is collecting Woolworths Earn and Learn stickers to gain valuable materials and equipment for our school - THANK YOU to everyone who has brought in stickers so far. There is only 10 days left!!! please bring in all your stickers (with or without booklets) to the box outside the CAPA staffroom so we can win as much free resources as possible.
From the Principal
Dear Parents and Carers

SASS Recognition Week
Next week is “School Administrative and Support Staff” recognition Week. This week especially acknowledges the valuable contribution of our administrative staff, school learning support officers, Aboriginal Education Officers and General Assistants. I would like to thank each of our staff members who go above and beyond in their respective roles to ensure the best quality learning environment for our students. You will notice next week that the administrative support staff in the Front Office will be having some fun as a part of our celebration by dressing up to a different theme on each day of the week.

Relieving Principal and Deputy
As of Wednesday next week I will be working away from school to assist our local Public Schools Director by taking on some of his responsibilities while he is engaged in an additional project. During these few weeks Mr Peter Howes will be relieving as Principal and Ms Louise Savins will be relieving as Deputy Principal.

Junior Music Night
I had the opportunity to witness some of our junior music night last Wednesday evening. This was such a great experience for me to see in action the great musical talent across our school. Congratulations to all our students and teachers who were involved!

Dave Harvey
Principal Richmond River High Campus

Parent Forum
Invitation to parents to attend
Richmond River High is in the process of evaluating its programs. The school is running parent, student and staff forums to find out what people think the school is doing well and what things the school could do better. Parental input is a very important part of this process. The parent forum will be held on Thursday 3rd September at Invercauld House.

We are using a random process to contact parents to ask if they would like to join in our parent forum scheduled for 3rd September.

The information gained from these forums is confidential and will be used to assist the school in determining its future priorities for 2016. Would you be interested in attending the forum? Please phone 66213456 to register your interest.

There are 2 sessions available:
- 1st session 9.00 to 12.00, including 15 minutes for morning tea. (2 hour 45 minute session)
- 2nd session 12.30 to 3.15, including 15 minutes for afternoon tea. (2 hour 30 minute session).

Morning/afternoon tea and lunch will be provided.

Year 9 Camp Lake Fire
October 12-15, 2015
$260.00
Located at Maroon Dam in Queensland, accommodation will be in tents provided by camp venue, activities include fishing, canoeing, sailing, archery, raft building, abseiling, rock climbing and open fire cooking.
Please see Mrs Day, Year 9 Year Adviser for further information.

RRHS Leo's Club on Tuesday raised $321 for charity by having a Fandom dress day, thanks to all the students who supported this and well done to the Leo's Club.
**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.

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**Mulch Hay Bales For Sale**

$3.00 bale

Please phone the school on 66 213 456.

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**RRHS - Term 3 Week 8**

**Monday 31/08/2015**
- Skills For Work Program - Hair, Beauty & Nails
- Cert II in Aviation

**Tuesday 01/09/2015**

**Wednesday 02/09/2015**
- Youth Frontiers 11.20 am - 1 pm

**Thursday 03/09/2015**
- Year 10 Public Speaking to Jiggi PS
- Year 7 HPV Vaccinations
- Year 12 MMR Vaccinations Catch-ups

**Friday 04/09/2015**
- Year 9 Sport Science to Ten Pin
- Skills For Work Program - Hair, Beauty & Nails
- Cert II in Aviation

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**CANTEN ROSTER - Term 3 Week 8**

**Monday 31/08/2015**
- Kelly Wilson

**Tuesday 01/09/2015**
- Kelly Wilson

**Wednesday 02/09/2015**
- Meryl Condon

**Thursday 03/09/2015**
- Dorothy Tan

**Friday 04/09/2015**
- Kelly Wilson

Canteen volunteers are needed, If you can help please phone Kathy Claydon on 6621 4890.

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**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

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**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

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**The official Richmond River High School Facebook page is here:**

**RRHS Facebook Page**

The web address is: www.facebook.com/richmondriverhigh

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CAREERS INFORMATION

Come Celebrate With Us!

It’s Alstonville’s 150th Anniversary!
On Saturday September 12th from 12noon to 3.30pm
Street Parade, Showground events and Fireworks
A great family day out so come help us celebrate...
150 years of Alstonville

BRIDGES TO HIGHER EDUCATION

Do you or your child want to know more about university options and pathways?

Parent and Community Information Evening

This event will cover information on a range of aspects about higher education including:

- Scholarships and financial support
- On campus support services
- Methods of study to suit different needs
- Transition options and alternative pathways
- Accommodation information
- Where to find further information
- Tips for studying without stress

Date: Wednesday 2 September, 2015
Time: 5.30pm – 7.30pm
Venue: PCYC Main Hall, Cnr Orion & Dawson Streets Lismore

All welcome, no RSVP required
Light refreshments will be served

Richmond River High School Telephone: 6621 3456 www.richmondri-h.schools.nsw.edu.au
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www.richmondriverhighcareers.com

I’ve put together a new website.
It’s a “One Stop Shop” for everything you need with Career Planning and help.

CHECK IT OUT NOW!

Mr Eddie Weir
Careers Advisor

The best way to predict the future is to create it
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 school's 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 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
- 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.