Formal Assembly

At our Assembly yesterday, the school leaders and SRC members were inducted and our Carr Legacy Scholarship recipients were presented with $10,000 to go towards their university education. Mrs Janet Sherrin and Mrs Barbara Kearney presented the Carr Legacy scholarships. AIME student awards were presented by Rich Atkin and Ms Zann our SRC Coordinator presented the SRC members. Congratulations to the students who were acknowledged.

Captains - Lindley Schneider and Brodie Stanton
Vice-Captains – Year 12 Phoebe Rowlandson and Tiger Jefferys
Vice-Captains – Year 11 Chloe Willis and Jessica Martin.

SRC Members
Year 12: Eve Kheir (Chairperson/Secretary), Isabella Glue (Treasurer), Danae Haywood, Abby Muldoon, Ella Veit-Prince, Alex Larsen, Luke Regendyke (Publicity Officer), Luke Eggler, Merlin Bennett.
Year 11: Gabrielle Cawley, Shane Rapmund.
Year 10: Oliver De-Milford, Tayla Moss, Jayden Bryant, John Brady-Corowa, Taylor Small.
Year 9: Sveva-Magdalena Bennett, Jazmin Bertuzzi.
Year 8: David Cassar, Jasper Fox.
Year 7: Molly Oquist, Taluka MacFarlane, Gwynne Willing, Mollie Osborne.

AIME Student Awards were presented by Rich Atkin (AIME Coordinator) recipients Donovan Conlan and Natalia Williams.

Carr Legacy Scholarship Recipients
Adam Friend (represented at the assembly by Col Blake), Zoe Bertuzzi, Ava Callachor, Georgina Morris and David Stuckey.
2016 Arts Initiatives NSW Public Schools
Aboriginal Dance Workshops

Aboriginal students from NSW Public Schools are invited to participate in one day workshops run by the Department of Education and Communities in collaboration with the internationally renowned Bangarra Dance Theatre.

Students learn contemporary Indigenous dance repertoire from some of Bangarra’s leading artists. These workshops aim to foster the development of dance skills and cultural significance in talented Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, both boys and girls from school Years 7-12.

On Monday, 8th February Richmond River High Campus Year 8 students, Keetah deKoster and Tamika Rogers travelled to Kingscliff High School to participate in this annual workshop. The girls showed incredible passion and diligence throughout every session of the day, and learned two very skilful dance pieces that they can now share with their dancing peers.

Keetah ended the day elated saying “It was really fun and I will definitely come back again next year!” and Tamika said “I want to make sure I keep practicing on the weekend so I don't forget the dances”.

The day was a great success and a great start to building and promoting Aboriginal culture through the performing arts at all three campuses of The Rivers Secondary College.
NSW SCHOOL VACCINATION PROGRAM 2016
Vaccinations will take place Thursday, 3rd March

Each year NSW Health works in partnership with schools to offer the vaccines recommended by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) for adolescents as part of the school vaccination program.

In 2016 the following vaccines will be offered to Year 7 students*:

- dTpa vaccine (Diphtheria, Tetanus & Pertussis (whooping cough)) as a single dose
- varicella vaccine (chickenpox) as a single dose; and
- human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine in a 3-dose schedule at 0, 2 and 6 months (students who commence HPV vaccination in Year 7 but do not complete the course may be offered catch-up doses at school in Year 8)

* The Parent Information Kits contain a consent form, information sheet and privacy statement that details how personal information will be collected, stored and utilised.

Parent Information Kits will be sent home to parents/guardians. To consent to the vaccination of their child, parents/guardians are advised to:

- read all the information provided
- complete the consent form, including signing their name next to the vaccine/s they would like their child to receive
- return the completed consent form to their child’s school
- ensure that their child eats breakfast on the day of the school vaccination clinic.

Parents/guardians who wish to withdraw their consent for any reason may do so by writing to the school Principal or phoning the school. The Procedure for Withdrawal of Consent is available on the NSW Health website at: www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation

To improve vaccination completion, students will be opportunistically offered any missed doses throughout the year where possible.

Please note that for HPV vaccine only, parents/guardians must record their Medicare Number (all 10 digits and the 11th number beside the child’s name) on the consent form, as this is required to record the student’s information on the National HPV Vaccination Register and (for female students only) link to the National or State Cervical Screening Program.

A Record of Vaccination will be provided to each student vaccinated at each clinic. Parents/guardians should ensure that this record is kept for future reference and should not assume that their child has been vaccinated if they do not receive this Record of Vaccination.

STUDY TIPS

- Preparing for success at school…
- Get a diary/planner to keep you organised
- Write important dates and tasks down so you don’t forget them
- Have a place to put worksheets/handouts in E.g. a folder
- Stick to a routine
- Get to class on time
- Have a positive attitude and give everything a go!
From the Relieving Principal

I’d like to congratulate all of the students and staff for the response to yesterday’s evacuation. The cooperation of the students was outstanding. When the evacuation was called I was in the middle of delivering the keynote address at our leadership assembly. To my pleasant surprise many students have asked to hear the rest of it, so an excerpt of the speech is as follows.

“The difference between success and failure is those that succeed take up opportunities.”

The people who are receiving scholarships today have taken up many of the opportunities our school has provided them and they have subsequently succeeded.

The students who are being inducted into the SRC today are taking an opportunity to develop their skills as leaders and make a positive change in our school.

All of the students in the audience are the new generation. How will you take on the positive opportunities that are presented to you?

What can you achieve by the end of this term or the end this year?

What can you do to better those on stage today?

It can start by doing your best with classwork, completing the challenging assessment before it is due, going on the excursion, taking up the offer of the extra curricular activity or taking or getting involved with the SRC or LEOs.

“opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like hard work”. Harness the will to challenge yourself every day. Say yes to positive opportunities and don’t let them become a regret or a mediocre effort.

Don’t fall into the trap of blaming the system or other people. Too many of you I see glued to your phones and devices watching countless hours of video, snap chatting, face booking and letting the opportunities fall to others.

Challenge yourself to go beyond all of that and be the best person that you can be.

School is not always going to be there. The support of your teachers and friends will quickly pass by. So make the best of every day while you are here.

To our new members of the SRC I look forward to working with you and seeing what you can achieve for our school.

To the scholarship award winners I congratulate you on this amazing achievement. Absolutely well deserved. You have a terrific future ahead of you.

To all of the young people here today. This is your generation’s time. Make the best of it.”

Have a great weekend.

Peter Howes
Relieving Principal

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Attention all Parents and Carers

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If you can’t make it in person, then join from 5.15 p.m. via Skype.
Send a contact request to: Richmondriverhighpandc
If you have any queries or anything you would like to raise with the P&C:
Email: rrhspandc@gmail.com
Looking forward to seeing you there.

P & C News for 2016
Welcome to all new and continuing parents to RRHS. It’s a great school and community. High school is a huge part of our children’s lives. A great way to stay in touch with what’s going on for them, meet the teachers and be part of the decision making process is to join the P&C.

Our next meeting will be held on:
Monday 14th March at 5.30 p.m.
Upstairs Common Room.

If you would like a copy emailed to you then please contact the front office on 66 213 456.

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5.30 - 7.00 p.m.
Monday
14th March 2016

The official Richmond River High School Facebook page is here:
RRHS Facebook Page
The web address is:
www.facebook.com/richmondriverhigh

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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15 February
Jenny Harris

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17 February
Meryl Condon

18 February
Dorothy Tan

19 February
Kirstin Peterson

Canteen Volunteers Needed
If you can help, please phone Kathy Claydon on 6621 4890.
2016 “The Rivers” University and North Coast TAFE showcase!

For two periods you will have the opportunity to explore a variety of university and TAFE post school options. Representatives from the North Coast TAFE, University of Southern Queensland, University of New England, Bond University, Griffith University and Southern Cross University will be providing a short presentation at the beginning of the session and will then be available to freely approach to gather further information.

When: Tuesday 23rd February.
Who: All of Year 12 are to attend. Year 12 students from Lismore High will also be in attendance.
Where: MPU
Time: 1:45 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. (Period 6 and 7)
Instructions: Please go straight to the MPU at the end of lunch for a prompt 1:45 p.m. start.
Cost: Free

For more information please see Mr Weir in the careers office
Mr E Weir
Careers Adviser

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2016 REGISTRATION

Play with Goonellabah FC in 2016
Register NOW at
www.myfootballclub.com.au
(for registration directions visit www.goonellabahfc.com.au)

Registration Days at
Club Goonellabah Reserve Street
Saturday 13 & 20 February 2016
10am – 1pm
Junior teams from grade 6-16/17
Senior Men & Women's Teams

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