An Excursion to Onstage

On the first day
we saw the best monologues and plays
From last year’s HSC days
Refugees and Babies and a Land of Waste

Inspiring, fun and insightful
So far the Drama excursion was oh so delightful

‘Stolen’ was the day after
There was not much laughter
‘cos it was deep
Filled to the brim with symbolism
there was no chance you would fall asleep

“Life Without Me” - an absurdest play
Characters trapped in a hotel lobby
no escape
What a time, what a show
We are all so glad we got to go.

Finally it was all over
Saying goodbye to the Sydney streets
My, what an excursion
My, what a treat!

Year 12 Drama
From the Relieving Principal

Welcome to our new look newsletter! The logo and design for the newsletter is an important element in bringing a similar visual to each campus, Lismore High, Kadina High and Richmond River High now that we are a part of the Rivers Secondary College.

I have spent some time getting around the school this week and it is pleasing to see the students applying themselves in each of the classes. I encourage every one of them to keep up the effort.

We have had some temporary staff changes which I would like to make you aware of. Mr Laverty will be relieving as Deputy Principal for the remainder of the term. Mr French will relieve as Head Teacher PDHPE and Mr Hogden will relieve as the Year 9 Advisor. Mr Hogden can be found in the Science staffroom.

This week we mailed out the annual Student invoices. Each year we ask our families to pay their subject fees as well making a voluntary general contribution. The subject fees are used directly to purchase consumable products for electives chosen by the students. The funds from the general contribution go directly to supporting students through the purchase of teaching and learning materials such as text books. This year we are aiming to increase the number of parents who pay their voluntary general contribution. At the beginning of next term we will be holding a draw for a $1000.00 voucher from Harvey Norman. To be eligible to go into the draw for this fantastic prize families will need to pay their general contribution in full by 8th April 2016. The draw will be held at the assembly in Week 1, Term 2.

Thank you for your ongoing support in paying student fees.

Peter Howes
Relieving Principal

STUDENT SUCCESS

Bridgette Smith, a Year 12 2015 student received a scholarship through TeachNSW to study a teaching degree at SCU. It is an outstanding achievement as only a handful of applicants across the state are selected. Well done Bridgette.
Basketball
On Tuesday the three high schools of The Rivers College played an inter school basketball competition to select The Rivers open boys and girls basketball teams. These teams will compete this Friday at the Lismore Basketball Stadium in a knockout competition and tryout for the Northern Rivers Basketball Team.

On the outside courts Kadina narrowly pipped Richmond in a closely fought game. Lismore Campus fielded a very competitive team but were looking towards the future with players from Year 9 attending.

In the MPU indoor stadium a possible - probable game was played. This was full of dynamic skills, where the team containing students from Kadina high school was strongest on the day.

Miss Amor and Mr Pestell selected the best players from the three schools.

The Rivers open boys team includes Hezekiah Roberts (KHC), Isiah Smith (KHC), Nicholas Von der Height (KHC), Lachlan Keyte (KHC) and Zane Hepton (KHC) as reserve. John Paden (LHC), Wade Whitney (RRHC), Ryan Everson (RRHC), Dale Bailey (RRHC), Lachlan Brown (RRHC) and Hayden Blanksby (RRHC).

The Rivers open girls team consists of Twyanna Caldwell (KHC), Maddison Mueffels Pethers (KHC), Noelene Monsell (KHC), Merinda Smith (KHC) and Dayna Anderson (KHC). Ashleigh McGuiness (RRHC), Brooke Restall (RRHC), April Pratt (RRHC) and Amelia Jones-Wright (KHC), Tyler Thorley and Rosie Cochran Byrnes (RRHC) as development players.

Good luck to both Rivers Teams.

STUDY TIPS
Preparation of study notes
1. Write your notes in your own words
2. Write your notes in an organised manner
3. Write your study notes in an exercise book so you don’t lose bits of paper
4. You can begin by writing your study notes out in full sentences, and over time reduce these sentences to key words.
5. Re-write the parts of your study notes that you find more difficult.

For more information please email Scott Hogden or Tracy Kelso on: Scott.hogden@det.nsw.edu.au or Tracy.birney3@det.nsw.edu.au
2016 Swimming Carnival
ATTENTION ALL PARENTS/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

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

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

P & C News for 2016
Welcome to all new and continuing parents to RRHC. 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 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 Meeting
5.30 - 7.00 p.m.
Monday
14th March 2016

WIRES Northern Rivers local 24 hour hotline is 66 281898 and the WIRES Northern Rivers website is www.wiresnr.org.au

Attention all Parents and Carers
Our newsletter is published every Friday and is uploaded onto our website: www.richmondh-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.
“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

A reminder to students interested in robotics that our visit to SCU is on Thursday 26th Feb. Cost $5.00. Permission notes to be returned to the office with payment.