



Newsletter

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Aboriginal Awards Night

Our annual Aboriginal Awards Night was held on Tuesday evening. The night saw Aboriginal students of our school (present and past) receive awards recognising their achievements during 2013, give musical performances and share the happy occasion with family, friends and staff. Rhiannon Khan (Class of 2012) returned from university to give an address reflecting on school years and university life. School Captain 2013 Coen Wakeham-Hastie also gave a meaningful valedictory address. Thanks to all who were involved in organising this evening – particularly Simone Barker, Glen Cook and Craig Gillespie with help from students, parents and staff members.

Year 7 2014 Orientation

On Wednesday this week students enrolling in Year 7 2014 participation in a full day orientation program at school. The group, many with their parents in attendance, heard from a number of speakers including their Year Adviser Ms Greta Nagle. They then participated in activities with their Year 11 Peer Support leaders (who were trained for the task earlier in term 4). The day also included participation in lessons with teaching staff of the school. The day followed two shorter visits to school for the students ensuring their transition to high school is a smooth one. Thanks to Mrs D'Anna, Mrs Nagle, Mrs Sharpe and the team who put in place arrangements for the day.



Early Entry to University

The school was delighted to receive advice during the week that two students from the Class of 2013 who had sought early entry to Griffith University were successful. Congratulations to Angela Byrnes (Bachelor of Business) and Madelene Bock (Bachelor of Education - Secondary). While these students may yet have other offers to consider, this is pleasing news for them. HSC results are available in December.

P&C Canteen contribution

One of the activities of the P&C is to operate our school canteen. The P&C



Diary

This Week - Week A

Dec 09	Big Day Out K-2 Knockrow Castle Big Day Out 3-6 Currumbin Sanctuary
Dec 10	Peer Support Excursion Ballina Waterslides Year 8 Evans River K-6 Talent Show 11:30-1:00pm
Dec 12	Senior Agriculture Field Trip Swan Bay Senior Design and Technology Excursion Ballina
Dec 13	Presentation Assembly for 2013 K-12 11:30am

Next Week - Week B

Dec 16	End of Year Activities Years 7-10 Platinum Excursion to Wet and Wild 7-12
Dec 17	End of Year Activities Years 7-12
Dec 18	Last day of Term 4 for Students
Dec 19-20	Staff Professional Learning Days

Coming Events

Jan 28	Staff Professional Development Day
Jan 29	School Resumes Students Years 1-7 and Years 11-12
Jan 30	School Resumes Years 8-10

have engaged Fay Granger as Canteen Supervisor. With a band of much appreciated volunteers, Fay delivers a diet of healthy food, including a substantial level of home cooked food, to our students. The profits of the canteen are turned to benefit the students by the P&C. Well done to Fay and the volunteers on a successful year in the canteen.

Mid Richmond Education Fund Opens New Grant Round

The Mid Richmond Education Fund has called for students transitioning from school to the next stage in life to make applications for financial assistance where necessary. Applications for this round close on Wednesday 18 December. Students transitioning from school to the next stage, particularly the Class of 2013, are encouraged to investigate the terms of the grant. Further information www.midrichmondeducationfund.org

Annual Presentation Assembly

All members of the school community are encouraged to attend the Annual Presentation Assembly on Friday 13th December at 11:30am in the school gymnasium. This is the one occasion where the year's achievements K-12 are recognised. It is a big occasion for the students and we hope you will be able to join us.

Rob Walker – Principal

Canteen News

It has been an incredible year here in the canteen. We have made a profit of \$10 000. I would like to thank everyone who contributed to make this not only a great year but also an enjoyable year. Thank you to Pacific Bulk Foods for their generous donations, to all of the wonderful parents who have donated their time to help in the canteen, to Lyn Thompson who has been a tremendous support. Thanks to the deputy principals who were always ready to lend a hand, all the people who donate their produce and ideas and to everyone who uses the canteen. It has been a real team effort.

Thanks to Lisa who is an amazing treasurer. I would like to wish you all a merry festive season and safe holidays. As canteen comes to the end of the year, stock will start to run out and although we don't substitute without asking the students involved, there will be a need for flexibility. Cheers everyone see you next year.

Year 8 Book Packs

Any parent who is considering ordering a Year 8 Book Pack online from Office Max using the information sent home prior to the rollover need to be aware of the packing and handling cost increase. If you order your child's book pack before the 31st December 2013 the set handling fee is \$6.95 including GST. If you order after 31st December 2013 the fee will increase to \$16.90 including GST. Parents who have ordered online have been very happy with this new way of obtaining all the equipment needed for the next scholastic year.

Great Aussie Pie Bake-off

Fancy yourself the next Master Chef? Then this competition is for you! The competition will take place in the Richmond Valley and is open to anyone with a knack for pastry and a sense of the Australia Day spirit who would like to join in a competition "the Great Aussie Pie Bake-off".

Two categories for the competition will ensure professionals are matched equally with each other, while super at-home bakers can show off their prowess.

The terms and conditions are summarise below:

- ◆ Pies should be meat based of any kind and flavour
- ◆ 2 cold pies must be delivered to Coraki bakery Friday 24 January, one will be heated for tasting and the other will be judged on presentation
- ◆ Judging will take place at Coraki Bakery Saturday 25 January and winners will be announced Sunday 26 January at the official Richmond Valley Australia Day celebrations in Coraki

Please help spread the word and I hope you will participate and enjoy a fantastic Australia Day in 2014!

Library News

We have had a busy year in the library but now we need to gather all resources for storage over the holidays. Please return all your books immediately or come and see us if you are having a problem with this.

The Library wishes everyone a Happy Christmas and a safe relaxing holiday.

Library Staff



Canteen Roster - Week A

Monday	09 Dec	Sally Perkins
Tuesday	10 Dec	Janine Hutley
Wednesday	11 Dec	Molly Forsyth
Thursday	12 Dec	Charmayne Stevens
Friday	13 Dec	Leanne Robinson



P&C INVITATION

To our Christmas party in lieu of our normal December meetings . At 4.30pm in the Library on 16th December. All refreshments supplied



Last Tuesday evening the Aboriginal Awards were held. It was a great event with two sweet songbirds Kirby & Lilly entertaining the crowd, along with the boys' & girls' dance groups.



Thank you to the sponsors of this event

Richmond Valley Council,

Thank you also to Sue-Ellen Vallance for the inspiring power point. Then on Wednesday we had our Year 7-2014 Orientation Day, the crowd was entertained by Year 5 & 6 girls singing. Our senior student peer group did a great job showing our visitors around and joining in with them having fun; the water races were very popular.

Wednesday our Art Competition opened for viewing to our younger students, I was impressed by their interest. They all placed their favourite number in the People's Choice box. All winners announced Friday 5pm upstairs in F block.

Lyn Thomson - CLO 6682 6666 lynette.thomson8@det.nsw.edu.au

This week the Ecowarriors visited Cabbage Tree School Wetlands Walk, Ocean Shores Public School Wetland Walk & Seabird Rescue. They are getting ideas to establish our own Environmental Walk. It was great to have ex teacher Mr Ballantyne along with all his expertise.



Orientation fun



Cabbage Tree Island School



Ocean Shores School



Seabird Rescue

Around the school

Art competition judges



Making their choice

Mid Richmond Neighbourhood Centre is running a LOGO competition for it's community garden, The Hive, \$100 prize. The chosen design will become the look for The Hive.

All entries due into the MRNC by 5pm 20th December 2013

Enquiries to

clayton.bradly@mrnc.com.au

Evans River K-6 Talent Show

When: Tuesday, 10th December

Time: 11:30 am - 1 pm

Where: Performance Hall

- * Singing, music, dancing or comedy act
 - * You can work in groups, or do a solo performance
 - * Maximum of one solo performance per person
 - * Maximum 3 minutes per act
 - * Please tell your teacher if you want to perform and describe your act
 - * Depending on number of performances, an audition process may be needed
 - * Feel free to dress up
 - * Get your music ready well before the performance
 - * Don't forget to invite your family and friends to watch!
- We can't wait to see you show us your talents.

Here is your time to shine

K-6 AWARDS Term 4 Week 8

Kinder	Kobi Mitchell Sarah Li	Alex Redman Tali McFaul	Leah Turner Skye Geoghegan	Tucker Barany Augustus Norwell
Yr 1	Brock Graham	Caelan Cooper	Holly Williamson	Jack Semple
Yr 2	Angus Adam	Iona Macgregor	Byron Hutley	Nicola Manning
Yr 3	Holly Perkins	Tyson Horseman	Ally Forsyth	Erica Redman
Yr 4	Ethan Alchin	Paige Mitchell	Phoebe Eyles	Jordyn Trott
Yr 5	Josh Stothard	Jacob Willows	Noah Forrester	Ziggy Martin-Cole Rhiley Butler
Yr 6	Madison Deas	Bonnie Wilson	Tahli Fisher	Codey Bell
Dirrawong Awards	William Weekes, Tahli Fisher, Josh Stothard, Andrew Adams			
Class Awards	Year 1			

2013 Community Carols

Brought to you by the Mid Richmond Neighbourhood Centre and the Evans Head/Casino Surf Lifesaving Club, Evans Head
 Carols by the Sea Singers Community Choir, Evans River School Choir, St Josephs, Snappers Playgroup,
 Sandcastles and Evans River/Woodburn Pre-school
 Bring a picnic dinner or food, drinks & popcorn for sale.
 Also battery operated candles & glow-sticks for sale.
 In case of inclement weather the alternative venue is in the
 Performance Hall, Evans River K-12 School
 (Check Mid Richmond Neighbourhood Centre page for venue updates)



Ballina Tenpin Bowl SCHOOL HOLIDAY SPECIAL

2 games for ONLY \$14
Includes shoe hire

Present this voucher and receive a FREE packet of chips per child

16 Clarke Street, Ballina – 6686 5342

www.ballinatenpinbowl.com.au ER

Crime Time With Senior Constable Kim Mewing

Your School Liaison Police Officer
Christmas School Holidays

Hi everyone. Congratulations for almost reaching the end of 2013 but we want you to make it through the holidays safely to 2014

Kids: These safety tips are for you!

Walk confidently. Be alert to who passes you and who's behind you.

Try and walk with other people rather than by yourself

If you think that you are being followed go to a service station, convenience store, the nearest police station, or any other place where there are people

Don't hang around the streets at night. Spend time with friends at home. Grab some videos or Play station/Xbox games and stay safe and away from trouble.

If you use an ATM, choose one that is located inside a shopping centre, store, or well-lit location.

Shop during daylight hours whenever possible. If you must shop at night, go with a friend or family member.

Don't be tempted by drugs, cigarettes or alcohol.

Don't break the law or hang out with people who are doing the wrong thing.

Think before you post comments or images online.

Don't break the law! A criminal record can seriously impact on your future,

WE NEED YOUR HELP TOO!

Report crimes or suspicious activity to Police immediately by calling your local Police Station.

For all emergencies call 000 (Police or fire or ambulance)

To report non urgent crime contact crime stoppers 1800 333 000 or the Police Assistance Line 131444 .

Remember to stay safe

See you all next time!

If you need to contact your School Liaison Police Officer
Ph: 0266 260574



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An all ages event at the
 Evans Head Surf Club
 Sunday 15th December
 3pm - 8pm
 \$5 entry per person
 Beverages will be
 available from the bar

a night of old school +
 new surf films
 fundraising for Misión México

come dressed as your favourite
 1970's surfer + enjoy a radical
 night of surfing moves



CANTEEN SPECIALS

WOW!! Canteen is now making
 home-made 100% fresh fruit sorbet!
 \$2.00

NO ADDED SUGAR YUMMY!!!

SPECIALS

Veggie Risotto \$3.50

Green Salad \$4.00

Science Trivia!

This Week - What does the term
 "dinosaur" mean?

Last Week- Which is hotter? 100°
 Fahrenheit or 100° Celsius?

Answer: 100° Celsius is much hotter.
 100° Fahrenheit is only 37.8° C.

P&C News

The next P&C Meeting will be held on Monday
 16th December at 4:30pm– 5:30pm in the
 school library. This our Christmas Gathering.
 Everyone welcome.