

# Richmond High School Newsletter

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## Anzac Day Service

This year, to commemorate Anzac Day, our student leaders participated in various services held throughout the community.

Our Senior Leaders, **Taylor Chaudhary** and **Mchayela King** (pictured below) attended a service at the Richmond Club who also provided a breakfast for guests. Ms Garcia, the SRC Coordinator, accompanied them.



See Page 14 for a full report on all of the Anzac Day Commemoration Services

## Pink Stumps Day

On the last day of Term 1, Richmond High School hosted our annual Pink Stumps Day. The fun day consisted of our school community wearing pink, a barbecue lunch and a 'teacher versus students' cricket match.

Funds raised go to the McGrath Foundation, which raises money to place nurses throughout the country, and also increases breast health understanding and awareness. Well done to all involved with over \$900 being raised.



See Page 13 for a full report

## Dates to Remember - Term 2, 2018

17/05/2018	NAPLAN Tests Yrs 7 & 9
18/05/2018	NAPLAN Tests Yrs 7 & 9
19/05/2018	NAPLAN Tests Yrs 7 & 9
20/05/2018	NAPLAN Tests Yrs 7 & 9
21/05/2018	NAPLAN Tests Yrs 7 & 9
21/05/2018	Yr 7-10 S1 Assessment Period
21/05/2018	Yr 11 Barista Training
22/05/2018	Yr 7-10 S1 Assessment Period
22/05/2018	NASCA Camp
23/05/2018	Yr 7-10 S1 Assessment Period
23/05/2018	NASCA Camp
23/05/2018	Not Even Once presentation YR 11-12
24/05/2018	Yr 7-10 S1 Assessment Period
24/05/2018	NASCA Camp
24/05/2018	St.6 Drama Excursion
25/05/2018	Yr 7-10 S1 Assessment Period
26/05/2018	Yr 7-10 S1 Assessment Period
27/05/2018	Yr 7-10 S1 Assessment Period
28/05/2018	Yr 7-10 S1 Assessment Period
29/05/2018	Yr 7-10 S1 Assessment Period
30/05/2018	Yr 7-10 S1 Assessment Period
30/05/2018	DOE Gold Adventurous Journey
31/05/2018	Yr 7-10 S1 Assessment Period
31/05/2018	DOE Gold Adventurous Journey
1/06/2018	Yr 7-10 S1 Assessment Period
1/06/2018	DOE Gold Adventurous Journey
2/06/2018	DOE Gold Adventurous Journey
4/06/2018	Yr 11 Business Services Work Placement
5/06/2018	Yr 11 Business Services Work Placement
6/06/2018	Yr 11 Business Services Work Placement
7/06/2018	Yr 11 Business Services Work Placement
7/06/2018	Yr 10 Brainstorm
8/06/2018	Yr 11 Business Services Work Placement
8/06/2018	Touch Gala Day
8/06/2018	Yr 12 Standard English Excursion
12/06/2018	P&C Meeting
13/06/2018	Syd West X-Country

## Principal's Report

### Welcome back to Term 2

I trust all of our students and their families had a safe and enjoyable Autumn vacation. Our students have returned for Term 2 to continue to work on the Road to Success in 2018. Term 2 is an important term for receiving feedback on achievement of learning outcomes in all of their subjects. To determine their level of success and achievement teachers will be setting a number of assessable tasks including examinations. Our designated assessment weeks are Weeks 4 & 5 of Term (21st May to 1st June), however, there could be some other assessment tasks that are due outside this period.

It is important that students prepare for these assessable tasks to ensure they know what will be assessed, how it will be assessed and to revise the work completed in Terms 1 & 2 that relate to the assessment tasks. This indicates a "5" for effort which the Positive Behaviour for Learning team have been promoting on assemblies and through reward programs for some time. Semester 1 reports will be distributed to student in Week 10 of Term.

### School Development Day Term 2

Our School Development Day was dedicated to subject areas focusing on improving student engagement in learning. Our School Plan 2018–2020 has as its Strategic Direction 2: To engage students in learning through a curriculum delivery that utilises learning platforms to maintain student focus, interest and curiosity.

Head Teachers planned the day for their teams to focus on either Project Based Learning, utilising technology in learning or enriching learning (or a combination of these). At the end of the day they presented their work to the whole staff. The day was highly successful and will be followed up by Head Teachers to ensure that the planning gets implemented in 2018.

### Peer Support Program

During Term 1 Year 7 students were assisted in their transition to high school through their participation in the Peer Support program. At Richmond High Year 11 Peer Support Leaders guide and facilitate groups of Year 7 students through a series of activities held weekly during Roll Call.

Recently the end of the program for 2018 was marked by a breakfast catered for by our Peer Support Co-ordinators Ms Garcia and Mr Pollard. They were also ably assisted by members of our Wellbeing Team. I took the opportunity to discuss with the Year 7 students their feedback on the program and overwhelmingly it was positive. Their main support for the program was that

the program gave them advice on how to deal with situations they may face at high school and who the key people are that they could seek assistance from. This is a key program in the overall transition program that Richmond High School has developed in collaboration with our Richmond Learning Community.



### NAPLAN Online Testing

At this time of the year there is always some sensational coverage of the NAPLAN testing in the media. I would like to reassure our community that at Richmond High School we conduct the testing in the best possible environment to ensure that students are able to demonstrate their best work in responding to the test questions. We are again involved in the pilot Online NAPLAN testing which was trialed in 2017 and practised by students in Term 1 2018. The test is a diagnostic test designed to inform staff of student's strengths and areas to develop. Ms Fakes and Mr Smith will be co-ordinating the supervision of the tests.

### Improvements to the School

During the Autumn vacation a number of works were completed to rectify issues that became apparent in 2017. The drainage works around the Hospitality kitchens was completed as well as the drainage works in the Home Economics/Music courtyard. There were new floor coverings installed in the three Visual Art rooms. Our Assets Services Officer conducted a tree audit and I am awaiting the report. All of these works were conducted safely and during times that minimised the disruption to the operation of the school.

### The New Multi-Purpose Centre

There has been much activity over the Autumn vacation with storm water services provided to the site and surveys for water, electricity and data cabling conducted throughout the school. Once these utilities are provisioned we will start to see the beginning of the preliminary work for the construction of the new building.

Mr Cliff Ralph  
PRINCIPAL



## Deputy Principal's Report

### Welcome to Term Two

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome everyone back to the start of Term 2. It has been a busy start to the term with lots of activities including our Athletics Carnival and also the start to the NAPLAN Examinations.

### Staff Development Day

On Monday 30th April the staff at Richmond High School participated in a day of Professional learning focusing on Strategic Direction Two from our School Plan - Engaging in Learning. It was a great opportunity for staff across the school to collaborate with their teams and begin developing programs with a focus on Project Based Learning, Technology or Enrichment.

At the end of the day, staff across the school showcased their innovative ideas and plans for the future at RHS.

### Uniform - 'Be In It'

Just a reminder to all families that we are starting to see a weather change and students need to ensure they are wearing correct Winter uniform.

Any student who is unable to wear parts of the uniform for any reason need to provide a note to their roll call teacher and will be given a uniform pass.



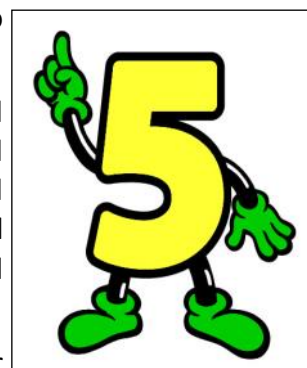
We have a new addition to our Winter Uniform this year which is a RHS Tracksuit.

This has proven to be popular amongst our students in Years 7-12 and is an affordable option for our families.

### Deputy Principal's Morning Tea

At the end of last term, several students in Years 11 & 12 were invited to a Deputy Principal's Lunch to celebrate our students who achieved all '5's for effort' on their Interim Reports. The students enjoyed a catered lunch and also received Principal's Awards

All students who were invited to this prestigious event should be congratulated for their hard work, commitment and dedication to their school work.



We will be hosting another event this Thursday 17th May to celebrate our students in Years 7 & 8 who also showed outstanding effort. A big congratulations to all students who are focussing on their learning and giving every lesson their very best.



Above: Students in Year 11 & 12 were rewarded with a Deputy Principal's Luncheon to celebrate their efforts last term.

**Assessment**

Just a reminder that this term we have a lot of important examinations and assessments taking place. We encourage students to be prepared with the correct equipment and arrive to school on time and prepared to do their best. We wish our students the very best of luck!

Please see below an overview of the key dates:

**NAPLAN** Tue, 15 May - Mon, 21 May 2018

**Year 7-10 Assessment Weeks 4 & 5** Mon, 21 May - Fri, 1 June 2018

**Year 12 Trial Examinations** Mon, 25 June - Fri, 6 July 2018

**PBL - Get S.E.T Competition**

The PBL Team’s logo design competition in Term 1 was a big success with a number of quality entries produced by students from Years 7, 8 & 9.

The winner, as judged by our Visual Arts teachers, was **Jasmine Mork** of Year 9. Using “Illustrator” software, she produced 2 versions of her design for the judges and was rewarded for her efforts with a \$100 Wish Gift Card at the Week 2 assembly.

The PBL team were very appreciative of all students who entered the competition and every participant received a Merit Award.

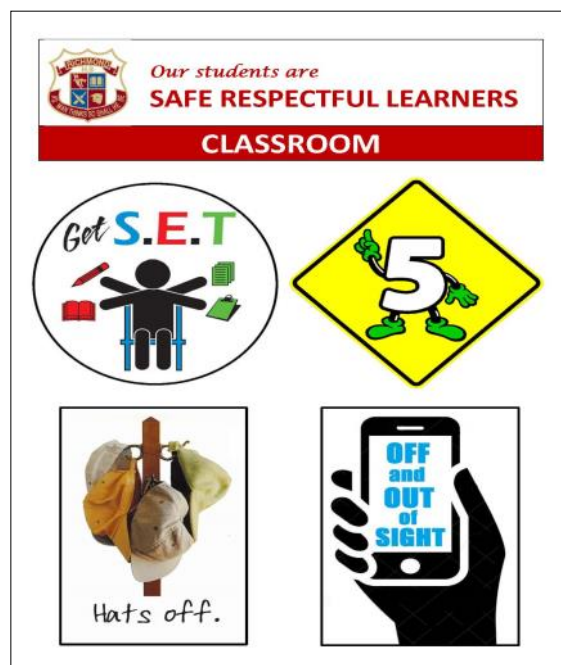


The new acronym (S.E.T.) stands for:

- **SIT** down at your assigned table
- Get your **EQUIPMENT** & books out
- Begin the first **TASK** (usually a Do Now activity)



Jasmine’s design will now be used throughout the school on PBL signage giving students visual prompts as reminders of the expected behaviours.



Mr Gordon and I are very much looking forward to an exciting Term. Please remember to contact us at anytime if you have any problems or concerns.

**Mrs Tara Cullen**  
**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL (Relieving)**



# Richmond High Stars!!

We are very proud of our students' achievements in external events and competitions and are committed to recognising their achievements, however, this cannot happen unless we are informed. Please ring us or send us something in writing if your child or a group of students achieve success in external events so we can recognise their achievements in our newsletters.

Mrs Stafford/Mrs Lees

## School Cross Country

We held our annual Cross Country carnival on Friday April 6 on school grounds. Congratulations to our Age Champions and runners up (listed below)

### GIRLS

12 Years	1st:	<b>Mahalia Hall</b>
	2nd:	<b>Keelie Perrett</b>
13 Years	1st:	<b>Penny Graham</b>
	2nd:	<b>Brooke Gilderdale</b>
14 Years	1st:	<b>Zoe Brison-Schroeder</b>
	2nd:	<b>Tayla Homsy</b>
15 Years	1st:	<b>Jasmine Rodgers</b>
	2nd:	<b>Erin Graham</b>
16 Years	1st:	<b>Ellen Pilkington</b>
	2nd:	<b>Madalyn Cormack</b>
17+ Years	1st:	<b>Tia Berg</b>
	2nd:	<b>Alexa Rosman</b>

### BOYS

12 Years	1st:	<b>Nathan Keys</b>
	2nd:	<b>Codie Fleck</b>
13 Years	1st:	<b>Samuel McKenzie</b>
	2nd:	<b>Tahj de Araugo</b>
14 Years	1st:	<b>Zaylan Schultz</b>
	2nd:	<b>Michael Woods</b>
15 Years	1st:	<b>Cody Maher</b>
	2nd:	<b>Ethan Kilby</b>

16 Years	1st:	<b>Kurt Tomaniczka</b>
	2nd:	<b>Joel Thornton</b>
17+ Years	1st:	<b>Josh Sgroi</b>
	2nd:	<b>Riley Mockford</b>

## Macquarie Zone Cross Country

The Zone Cross Country Carnival was held on May 8 at the Sydney International Regatta Centre, Penrith Lakes. Well done to the following students on their fantastic results at the recent Zone Cross Country:

**Samuel McKenzie** (Year 7) is pictured here after being awarded first place in the 13 year boys age group - an outstanding achievement.



13 Year Boys	1st	<b>Samuel McKenzie</b>
16 Year Boys	4th	<b>Kurt Tomaniczka</b>
17 Year Boys	9th	<b>Thomas Khouri</b>
17 Year Girls	3rd	<b>Tia Berg</b>
18 Year Boys	7th	<b>Ekkarad Bumrungsil</b>
18 Year Girls	9th	<b>Taylor Chaudhary</b>

## Australian Superbike Championships; Round 3

**Harry Khouri** (Year 9) recently took place in the Australian Superbike Championships at Tailem Bend in South Australia.

Harry had this to say about his performance at the event :

"Race 1: At lunch time Saturday was near perfect conditions. I managed a really good start and was battling with the front group of 8 throughout most of



the race. On the last lap there were 4 of us battling for the 3rd place position. Unfortunately I was slipstreamed to the line and ended with 6th after starting in 11th. I was pretty happy with that result.

**Race 2:** on Saturday afternoon was the last for the day and the riding conditions were tough. The sun was really low in the sky and I had a moment coming onto the straight where I couldn't see at all and ran off the track, luckily I saved it to continue the battle. Once again it was a group of 8 or 9 riders switching positions throughout every lap. The front 2 riders pulled a second gap on the rest of us so the battle was between 7 of us for the final podium. This time I was lucky and managed to grab 3rd place for my first podium of the weekend. I couldn't wipe the smile off my face.

**Race 3:** For the Supersport 300 class was held on Sunday Lunchtime. After my finish on Saturday afternoon I knew that if I focused, I could possibly fight for another podium in this race too. I made my way up to the front pack and stayed with them for the whole race. As we crossed the line for the last lap I moved up into 3rd place and managed to stay there for the entire lap. On the last corner I decided I could maybe fight for a better spot so I



went up the inside of the other rider when he left a gap and grabbed 2nd place. For the weekend I finished 2nd overall and I am really happy with my results. I didn't get to spray the champagne because I'm not old enough but they gave mum the bottle so I have that for my collection.

I have now moved up to 3rd overall in the Championship."

**Sydney Royal Easter Show**

Fiona Hancock (Year 10) competed at the recent Sydney Royal Easter Show. Fiona did a wonderful job competing in the Riding for the Disabled State Finals and took away this impressive ribbon!



**State Representatives**

We are very proud of the following students who have all been selected to represent Sydney West at State level sporting events:

**Cameron Kwok** (Year 12) has been selected on to the Sydney West team that will compete at the NSW Combined High Schools Rugby Championships. We wish the team good luck for the upcoming championships to be played at Dubbo at the end of May.



**Michael Wilkins** (Year 11) and **Cameron McMillan** (Year 12) were both selected to play at to the NSW Combined High Schools Basketball Championships earlier this month. Their team performed well at the Championships.



**Brieanna Hall** (Year 11) was selected to compete for Sydney West at the NSW Combined High Schools Swimming Championships at Sydney Olympic Park during April. Her results in the 17+ Girls races were:



7th in 50 metres Freestyle and 4th in 100 metres Butterfly.

UP TO DATE DETAILS

Have your contact details changed? It is vital that we have your up to date contact details in case of an emergency. Please contact the Front Office staff as soon as possible if there have been any changes to your contact details.



### School Athletics Carnival

Our School Athletics Carnival was held on Monday, 14th May, 2018 on the school grounds. A big thank you to our PDHPE staff for coordinating the day's events and to students for their outstanding participation on the day.

A full report including Age Champions will follow in next week's newsletter after the field events have concluded.





### The Hawkesbury Show

Congratulations to all our students at Richmond High School who entered in various categories of The Hawkesbury Show. We were overwhelmed with the amount of awards our students received.

A special thanks to our staff for their support of the students and encouraging them to enter. We are very proud of everyone who participated.

See the next page for a full list of results from our Home Ec faculty.





**The Hawkesbury Show Results**

**Cooking**

Plain Butter Cake	1st - <b>Jordan-lee Schultz</b> 2nd - <b>Aimee Ravot</b>
Iced Cup Cakes	Highly Commended - <b>Cooper Haining</b> Highly Commended - <b>Luke Turton</b>
ANZAC Biscuits	2nd - <b>Luke Kilby</b>
Novelty Cakes	2nd - <b>Jennifer Armstrong</b> Highly Commended - <b>Koadie Howarth</b>
Special Occasion Cakes	1st - <b>Molly Simmons</b> 2nd - <b>Catelin Williams</b> Highly Commended - <b>Maddison Magazzu</b> Highly Commended - <b>Kayleigh Hadley</b>

**Preserves**

Plum Jam	2nd - <b>Chona Colbran</b>
Marmalade	2nd - <b>Maddison Herrington</b>
Apricot Jam	2nd - <b>Cooper Haining</b>
Strawberry Jam	1st - <b>Ryan Borg</b>
Other Jam Varieties	1st - <b>Ryan Borg</b> Highly Commended - <b>Jasmyn Smith</b>
Collection of 3 Jams	2nd - <b>Joshua Dalby</b>

**Spreads**

Lemon Butter	1st - <b>Domenika Occhiuto</b> 2nd - <b>Cooper Haining</b>
Passionfruit Butter	1st - <b>Jessica Eckersley</b> 2nd - <b>Maddison Herrington</b>
Other Butter Varieties	1st - <b>Tiffany Johnson</b> 2nd - <b>Adam Burzynski</b>
Chutney	1st - <b>Alison Jones</b>
Relish	1st - <b>Larissa Toomey</b> 2nd - <b>Jasmyn Smith</b>

Mustard Pickles	2nd - <b>Caleb Duff</b>
Clear Pickles	2nd - <b>Adam Burzynski</b>
Collection of 3 Pickles	2nd - <b>Heath Whitehead</b>
Tomato Sauce	1st - <b>Brodee Kewin</b>
Other Sauces	1st - <b>Luke Kilby</b>
<b>Craft</b>	
Soft Toy	2nd - <b>Madalyn Cormack</b>
Handmade Item	Highly Commended - <b>Emma Hynes</b>
Clothing	1st - <b>Jade Brown</b> Highly Commended - <b>Kirralee Sweet</b> Highly Commended - <b>Natalya Hall</b>
Any Sewn Item	1st - <b>Zoe Mifsud</b> 2nd - <b>Jasmine Duncombe</b> Highly Commended - <b>Elizabeth Rodgers</b>

Richmond High School received \$80 in gift vouchers from Silver Stars Cake Decorating Supplies. Silver Stars also gave each student a full page written critique on their decorated cake.

*Pictured here is **Luke Kilby** (Year 11) with some of his awards.*



**Planning to travel?**

Please keep in mind that if your student will be absent for five or more days we ask that you pop into the Front Office to fill out a form for our records. Once signed by our Principal we will give you a copy to take with you.

## Royal Easter Show

Last year our Ag Show Team entered into a partnership with a local stud, Sunset Park Livestock (owned by ex-RHS students Brooke & Tahlia Chandler) for the purchase of a purebred limousin steer named Jack.

We are very proud to announce that Jack received a Bronze Medal in the heavy weight carcass competition at the Sydney Royal Easter Show!



## Peer Support

On May 2, our Year 7 students enjoyed a BBQ to celebrate the end of the Peer Support Program. A big thank you to our Welfare Team and Senior Leaders for organising the event.

It is an invaluable program that supports Year 7 to have a smooth transition to High School.



## 2018 Principal Award Recipient

Congratulations to the following students on being awarded **Principal Awards** this term.

These wonderful students have been formally recognised with a **Principal Award for earning 5 Head Teacher Awards or 5 Year Advisor Awards**. These awards are recognition for the pursuit of excellence through both classroom and school based extra curricular activities such as outstanding school reports, positive behaviour, participation, citizenship or class effort.

**Well done to:**

**Caitlin Blair - Year 7**

**Ethan Bombardiere-Morgan - Year 7**

**Zoe Brison-Schroeder - Year 8**

**Anjali Kapoor - Year 9**

**Kayleigh Hadley - Year 10 (x2 Awards!)**

**Congratulations also to the following students who received Principal Awards recently at special Deputy Principal's Morning Tea/Luncheons held to celebrate their success last term. These students achieved 5 for Effort on their recent interim school reports.**

### Year 7 students

Madison Bergin, Sophie Duff, Kimberly Foster, Jack Izzard, Shaylee Knepperges, Amber Knight, Jade Packer, Zoe Palmer, Owen Paull, Molly Smith, Ebony Woodbury-Hore, Cooper Worrell, April Almond, Raven Bowie, Viktoriia Butenko, Jake Butler, Shaely Campbell, Zoe Chaseling, Elizabeth Cox, Tahj de Araugo, Jade Ford, Zephaniah Gibbons, Penny Graham, Isaac Hazell, Brody Hoyle, Hayley Innins, Nathan Keys, Teegan Mathie, Jason Plant, Karla Schindler, Randall Thompson, Poppy Williams, Aidan Worland, Jacob Worland, Levi Anderson, Samara Benson, Nathan Calleja, Codie Fleck, Brayden Shute, Charlotte Stutsel, Iana Waixel, Charlotte Cooke, Lochlan Duffield, Brooke Gilderdale, Mahalia Hall, Ethan Hoskins, Aimee McGhee, Samuel McKenzie, Aimee Ravot, Olivia Cooper, Riley Copeland, Keelie Perrett, Jordan-Lee Schultz, Daniel Stolk, Caitlin Blair, Ethan Bombardiere-Morgan, Patrick Eyre-Nixon, Joshua Sullivan.

### Year 8 students

Emily Asenov, Lillian Benson, Zoe Brison-Schroeder, Sara Buchanan, Aysha Callow, Zoe Capel, Jay-Lee Farrugia, Zachary Foster, Max Griffiths, Callie Herrington, Scarlett Hutchinson, Thomas Kalie, Meagan Keys, Katelyn Kondratenko, Charlie Kwok, Sarah Lake, Ryan Lane, Ethan Mahon, Benjamin Malone, Steven Naumovski, Ryan O'Mullane, Baylee Page, Alexander Plant, Max Pride, Tiarna Ravot, Jayda Rosman, Kylie Rymer, Niamh Sievers-Davis, Jacob Tanner.



## 2018 Principal Award Recipients (Cont.)

### Year 11 students

Elliot Anastopoulous, Michael Attridge, Elske Barker, Abbey Bartley, Amy Buchanan, Cameron Drew, Keira Elias, Jacinta Faasolo, Analeigh Healey, Maddison Herrington, Latoya Holbert, Emma Hynes, Ezekiel Irving, Luke Kilby, Tayla Mahon, Bethany Malone, Chevelle Matthews, Alexis Morris, Jason Muscat, Alexa Rosman, Jasmyn Smith, Arielle Sow, Aleisha Telford, Hayley Thornton.

### Year 12 students

Oliver Ashley, Eric Beech, Emily Chate, Aeddan Cox, Lauren Dawkins, Georgia Holdforth, Aiden Kenny, Cameron McMillan, Rebecca Quayle, Emily Snook.



*Pictured above: The Year 11 and 12 recipients receiving their Awards on April 10th.*



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## Canteen Update

The canteen has some exciting changes this term as we are always trying new healthy products and are now proud to announce that we are following the Healthy Food Canteen Guidelines.

This term we have replaced crumbed burgers for a non crumbed alternative - a chicken fillet burger which costs \$4.

Garlic Bread is back - \$1.50

Berri Juice Cups (semi defrosted) - 60c

New Vaalia Yoghurt Tubs - \$1.20

Custard Cups - \$1

Jelly & Custard - \$1.50

### Daily specials!

#### Monday

- Lasagne \$3.50
- Macaroni Cheese \$3.50

#### Tuesday

- Assorted Pies & Sausage Rolls \$3.50
- Pork Rolls \$3.50

#### Wednesday

- Pizza Roundas \$3
- Honey Soy Chicken & Rice \$3.50

#### Thursday

- Wedges \$3.50
- Pork Rolls \$3.50

#### Friday

- Nachos \$3.50
- Crumbed Chicken Burgers \$3.50

More specials to come throughout the term!

## Ag Report

Term 2 has already been busy in the Ag plot. Year 7 returned from the holidays to find their plants growing and some items ready to be harvested. Students have already taken home radishes however the snowpeas rarely make it out of the Ag



plot gate uneaten! Year 7 have also been helping the Stage 5 aggies with the harvesting of our bumper crop of sweet potatoes. This particular crop is sold throughout the school with all profit returning to the Ag plot and our future projects.

Along with all their homegrown vegies our Year 7 have begun to try different fruits grown in the Ag plot. Our trees that have come into season are the lemons, mandarins and grapefruits. One of the more interesting fruits that the students are having a try of is our Native Finger Limes.

Year 8 have been eagerly awaiting the arrival of their chicks and were very excited to see them delivered this week. Their project will be to care for the chickens as they learn about chick growth and development. Keep up the great work as the term gets more exciting aggies!

Written by Mrs Sian Gray - Agriculture Teacher



## Parramatta Court Excursion

Year 9 Commerce students and Year 11 Legal Studies students visited the



Parramatta Local and District Courts Week 11 last term. Students displayed enthusiasm and curiosity throughout the experience as they observed real court matters as they unfolded.

Particularly interesting for the students were the matters seen in the NSW Drug Court as they observed offenders successfully, or unsuccessfully, 'graduate' this special diversionary program. Students were also very lucky to encounter a friendly Magistrate who provided an exclusive audience just for them to explain court procedures and talk about their observations.

As always, this annual excursion was a terrific experience for students who are currently exploring in class the law and how it operates in society.

A fantastic group of students who represented their school in an exemplary fashion!

## NSW Mock Trial Competition

Richmond High School has, for the first time, entered the NSW Law Society's Mock Trial Competition. A fine group of keen Year 11 Legal Studies students and Year 10 students have volunteered to form a great team.

The Mock Trial Competition is conducted by the Law Society of NSW and is a practical means of introducing students to the law and to increase understanding of the basis of our judicial system and the operation of a trial. The competition also helps students to increase basic skills such as listening, speaking, writing, reading and analysing.

The 1st round for the competition against Norwest Christian College was a win for our team with a narrow loss against the same school in the 2nd round. Although the goal is not to win necessarily but to learn from the experience and have fun. The students enjoyed the experience and the camaraderie with the students from the competitor school.

They have also been lucky to encounter excellent 'Magistrates' (practising lawyers who volunteer for this role during the competition) who have patiently guided the students through the process, enhancing their learning experience.

Congratulations to the team: **Alexa Rosman, Tristan Conway, Kaitlin Tunstell, Alana Haymes, Joshua Thomas-Leffley, Jacinta Fa'Asolo and Sarah Herring.** Best of luck to you all in the up-coming rounds.



### Pink Stumps Day

The following article was published by The Hawkesbury Gazette on April 14, 2018.

Richmond High School students beat their teachers 74 runs to 58 in their annual Pink Stumps Day cricket match, winning for the first time since 2016.

The friendly cricket match is in support of the McGrath Foundation, which raises money to fund McGrath Breast Care Nurses in communities around the country, and also increases breast health understanding and awareness.

Teacher Lolita Garcia said it was an easy win for the students on the day, and student captain **Tia Berg** took the most wickets. Mr Griffiths from the teacher’s team scored the most runs.

The school has raised around \$1000 so far and will still be taking donations from the community at its front office after the school holidays.

McGrath Foundation ambassador and director, Tracy Bevan, said Richmond High’s support will help the Foundation on their mission to ensure every family in Australia experiencing breast cancer has free access to a breast care nurse, no matter where they live.

“We are proud to have funded 117 McGrath Breast Care Nurses working nationally who, together, have supported more than 50,000 families going through breast cancer. Events like this are truly helping us to make a difference; we couldn’t do it without you,” she said.

Students paid \$5 each to get involved in the student-versus-staff cricket match, which included a sausage sandwich and a drink. All profits went to the McGrath Foundation.

In the lead-up to the game, student captain Tia said: “I hope we raise a lot of money but beating the teachers would be a massive bonus”.

Photos taken by Geoff Jones from The Gazette.



### Commemorating ANZAC Day

This year, to commemorate Anzac Day, our student leaders participated in various services held throughout the community. This year's focus for ANZAC Day was on the final campaigns of the Western Front.

On Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup> April, our School Captains **Noah Riley** and **Tara Agius** (pictured below) attended the Anzac Day Dawn Service accompanied by Mr Phil Gordon. Our Captains also attended the traditional Anzac March on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Richmond War Memorial. The students were very dignified and composed in their reading of the Prayer of Thanksgiving.

On Anzac Day, our Senior Leaders **Rebecca Quayle** and **Justin Woods** attended the commemorative service held at Ron Middleton VC Gardens with Mrs Garcia, Head Teacher of HSIE. Both students had the opportunity to read the opening address, act as flag bearers and lay a wreath on behalf of the school. Our Senior Leaders **Taylor Chaudhary** and **Mchayela King** attended a service at the Richmond Club who also provided a breakfast for guests. Ms Garcia, the SRC Coordinator, accompanied them.

An ANZAC Day Service was held at Richmond High at the end of Term 1 for students and staff to have the opportunity as a school community to commemorate this significant day. A number of students were involved in making the ceremony a success and they included our Senior Leaders, members of the school band singing 'True Blue', Cadets, Scouts and a number of students who worked on sound and lighting. Students also had the privilege of hearing a guest speaker from the RAAF in attendance at the service.

Both Mrs L. Garcia and Mrs A. Garcia would like to thank those students who were involved in attending and participating in the various ANZAC Day services held throughout the Hawkesbury community to commemorate those who served.

### ANZAC Ted

Our Support students have been learning about ANZAC Ted. At the outbreak of World War I, Anzac Ted finds himself heading into battle as a good luck companion. But he soon becomes a symbol of comfort, hope and the memory of home for the Anzacs, and returns from war an unsung hero.

*Pictured below: Year 7 students **Patrick Eyre-Nixon** and **Ethan Bombardiere-Morgan** are pictured below with Mrs Sexton displaying their Anzac Ted posters.*



### Please keep our students safe

In the interest of our students' safety, we request that parents **DO NOT** use the staff carpark as a drop off or pick up zone for their children.

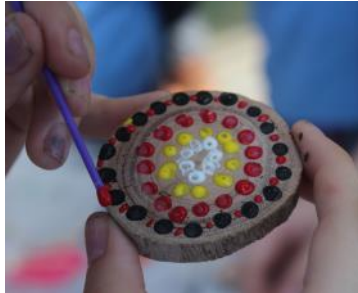
The entrance/exit to our school is **ONE WAY** and has a high level of student and staff pedestrian activity in the morning and afternoons. Please utilise the designated areas on Lennox, West Market Street or Castlereagh Road to **drop off** or **pick up** your children. Thank you.





**Allowah Day**

Held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> April at Yellomundee Regional Park, Allowah Day enables the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to spend a day involving culture, art, bush walk/talk, drumming, Indigenous dance and Indigenous sporting games.



Students from Richmond, Colo, Hawkesbury, Windsor and Riverstone High schools along with students from Years 5/6 from the feeder Primary schools have a chance to get to know one another and have fun. Uncle Wes who is 95, gave the Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony and spent time with the students telling them stories of when he was a little boy.

Approximately 160 students attended the day in a round-robin configuration allowing each child a chance to participate in every event. Each year the numbers have increased, the students always love attending on the day and we look forward to next year.



**Brayden Shute** (Year 7) is pictured above with wonderful artwork created by Richmond High School students on Allowah Day.

**NASCA Red Hand Cave Walk**

On April 11 many of our ATSI students were treated to an excursion to Glenbrook to visit the Blue Mountains National Park. The Red Hands Cave walking track offers impressive Aboriginal stencil art.





### Toast Master Award

Well done to **Hannah Hennessy** (Year 8) for receiving a Toast Master Award recently. Hannah advised us that on the evening she was the youngest participant by far. The table topic was “the best advice you were ever given”. Hannah explained for her it was advice give by our Mrs McDonagh that if you don’t like who you are you can always change. Hannah spoke about this subject and then waited for the other contestants before they were all evaluated and she was awarded with the winning certificate.



### Richmond High School Careers



In 2018, our Richmond High School Careers FB page takes a new identity. For the parents and carers of our Year 10, 11 & 12 students, please LIKE and follow this page to stay up to date with what's happening with the Careers Faculty at our school.

Posts on this page will include: job alerts, scholarships, information sessions, short courses, apprenticeship vacancies etc and when the time comes, information and important dates for Years 10, 11 and 12 with regard to University and TAFE applications.

[Richmond High School Careers Facebook Page Link](#)

To find out more information about the HSC Minimum Standard visit the NESA website:

[NESA Website: HSC Minimum Standards](#)

### Buying School Shoes

We care about your child’s wellbeing and can only allow students wearing enclosed leather shoes to participate in practical work.

We must adhere to this policy as part of our legal requirements under Occupational Health and Safety. You can download a copy of our Uniform Policy from our website or obtain a copy from the Front Office.

## CHANGES TO THE HSC MINIMUM STANDARD



Students show they meet the HSC minimum standard by taking online **reading, writing and numeracy tests**



The tests can be taken in **Year 10, 11 or 12**, or for a few years after the HSC



You can track students' test results and whether they have met the minimum standard in Schools Online

### REMEMBER



**Year 9 NAPLAN** is no longer an early way to meet the standard



2018 Year 10 students who achieved a Band 8 in a 2017 NAPLAN test **don't have to take the online test** for that particular area



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**English Faculty**  
**WRITING COMPETITION**

WRITE A SHORT STORY OR POEM IN 150 WORDS EXACTLY  
ON A TOPIC OF YOUR CHOICE

SUBMIT TO THE ENGLISH FACULTY WITH YOUR WORD COUNT BY THE END  
OF WEEK 10

**enter to win**

**PRIZE - \$50 VOUCHER OF YOUR CHOICE**

\*ALL ENTRIES WHO DO NOT MEET THE EXACT LIMIT OF 150 WORDS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED



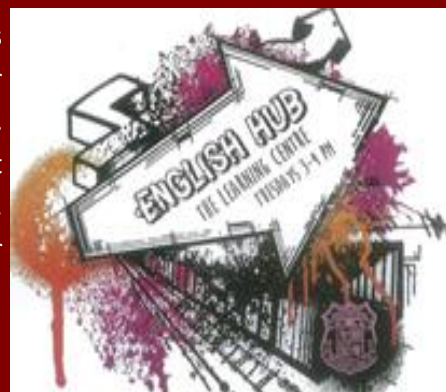
**Richmond High School English Hub!**

Is your son or daughter struggling in English? Do they need a little bit of support with homework or class assignments?

Every Tuesday afternoon from 3:00pm-4:00pm there is an English Homework and Study Centre at the Learning Centre for those students who would like a little bit of extra support and assistance with homework and assessment tasks.

Please let us know if your child plans on attending by registering your place with the coordinator Mrs A. Koller. Alternatively, you can contact the school to secure your position. We look forward to assisting your son or daughter in the near future.

**Mrs A. Koller (English)**



Stay up-to-date with important information at Richmond High School. Simply Like Richmond High School's Facebook page...



# RICHMOND HIGH SCHOOL P&C NOTICEBOARD

The P&C committee meets on the second Tuesday of every month with the exception of school holidays. Our next P&C meeting will be held:

**Tuesday June 12th, 2018**

**6:30pm in the Staff Common Room**

**(via the Front Office).**

**New members always welcome!**

## Silver Coin Challenge

All students are encouraged to bring in coins to Roll Call. The winning Roll Call will be awarded with pizza!

### COMMITTEE

#### President

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Alison Webster

#### Vice President

Amanda Peters

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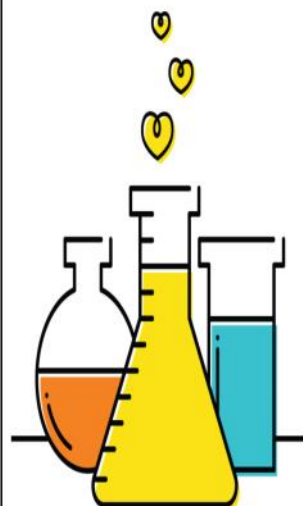
## Science HSC Tutoring

Physics - Wednesday Lunch for Week A & B in Lab 3

Senior Science - Tuesday 3-4pm for Week A & B in Lab 4

Biology - Tuesday 7.50-8.30am for Week A & B in Lab 1

Chemistry - Thursday Lunch for Week A & Friday Lunch for Week B in Lab 3



These sessions are to help students learn how to apply the knowledge they are learning in class to answering HSC questions at a high level. Studies show students who work through past papers questions perform at higher levels in their HSC than those students who do not. Having the opportunity to work with their teachers to enable them to gain a deeper understanding of how to apply their knowledge and skills to HSC style questions is an invaluable tool for achieving higher levels of success in the HSC and all students studying one of the Sciences are strongly encouraged to attend.

Rotary Club of Richmond Inc



**ATTENTION ART STUDENTS  
YEARS 10, 11, & 12!!!**



**HAWKESBURY  
HIGH SCHOOL\$  
ART \$SCHOLAR\$HIP  
AWARD\$S !!!**

In 2018 the Rotary Club of Richmond is holding its fourth Art Scholarship competition. The aim of the Scholarship is to assist talented and deserving young artists in the Hawkesbury region.

- To be eligible to enter, entrants must be:- Enrolled in 2018 in Years 10, 11, and 12 at one of the following schools:

COLO RICHMOND BEDE POLDING COLLEGE  
HAWKESBURY KUYPER CHRISTIAN ARNDELL



- The entry is to the work of the entrant and painted in the last year.
- Entries must be delivered to Ray White Real Estate, Windsor by **Friday, June 22**
- All entries submitted must be accompanied by a completed entry form.
- Classification will include the following:-  
\*History Painting \*Portraits  
\*Genre Painting, and \*Still Life

The first prize winner will be awarded **\$750**  
In addition will be prizes of **\$400** for four entries in the above classifications and two prizes of **\$250** Encouragement Awards.



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**AUGUST 10 - 19**

**Richmond Boys AAL Squadron is enrolling for Term 2 - 2018**

The **Richmond Boys Squadron** of the **Australian Air League** is enrolling cadets for Term 2 2018 at its meeting location at **Richmond Public School, 115 Windsor St Richmond** on **Friday evenings from 7:00 until 9:00pm**.

The Air League is inviting young people, who may be interested, to come down with their parents and learn what the Air League has to offer. The Australian Air League is a nationwide organisation for young people aged from 8 to 18 years. Staffed by volunteers and self-funding, it teaches leadership skills and provides a wide range of interesting and exciting activities such as camping and hiking, sport and physical recreation, building and flying model aircraft and ceremonial drill. Through classes and practical demonstration members learn the theory of aviation and a wide range of associated topics such as Meteorology, Navigation, Aero Engines and Aircraft Construction, as well as general interest subjects such as photography, field craft and community service.

The Air League also provides a range of flying experiences for its members, from simple scenic joy flights through to gliding and powered-flying training, from private pilot licence (PPL) through to airline entry standards – all in aircraft owned, operated and professionally maintained by our staff.

Running a strong program that is both fun and educational, the Australian Air League is making fine citizens out of young Australians. Currently there are also a number of other Squadrons in Western Sydney including **Penrith**, **Parramatta**, and **Blacktown** as well as Squadrons at **Epping** and **Ryde**. Girls with an interest in aviation may also contact the **Penrith** or **Blacktown Girls Squadron** via our 1800 number.

For more information please contact: [education.nswbg@airleague.com.au](mailto:education.nswbg@airleague.com.au) or 1800 502 175.

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**Free Community Activities** - click on the hyperlink to access each flyer and book in.

<a href="#">Supporting Your Kids Through Loss &amp; Grief</a> <b>WITH FREE CHILDCARE</b>	For Dads and Mums/ primary carers of children aged 0-12 years	Weds 23rd May 2018	6.30 - 9pm
<a href="#">PlayPower</a> <b>WITH FREE CHILDCARE</b>	For Dads and Mums/ primary carers of children aged 0-3 years	Tuesday 29th May 2018	10am—12noon
<a href="#">His, Hers, Ours - Making Step Families Work</a> <b>WITH FREE CHILDCARE</b>	For Dads and Mums/ primary carers of children aged 0-12 years	Weds 30th May 2018	6.30 - 9pm
<a href="#">Circle of Security</a> <b>WITH FREE CHILDCARE</b>	For Dads and Mums/ primary carers of children aged 0-10 years	<b>4 x Tuesdays:</b> 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th June 2018	9.30am—12.30pm
<a href="#">Be A Great Dad</a> <b>WITH FREE CHILDCARE</b>	For Dads of children aged 0-12 years	Weds 6th June 2018	6.30 - 9pm
<a href="#">Helping The Anxious Child</a> <b>WITH FREE CHILDCARE</b>	For Dads and Mums/ primary carers of children aged 0-12 years	Weds 13th June 2018	10am - 12.30pm
<a href="#">Stress Management for Mums</a> <b>WITH FREE CHILDCARE</b>	For Mums	<b>2 x Weds mornings</b> 20th & 27th June 2018	9.30am-12noon
<a href="#">Developing Your Kids Social Skills</a> <b>WITH FREE CHILDCARE</b>	For Dads and Mums/ primary carers of children aged 0-12 years	Weds 20th June 2018	6.30 - 9

## PARENTS/CAREGIVERS DO WE HAVE YOUR CHILD'S UP-TO-DATE DETAILS?

It is vital that we have up-to-date information in case of an emergency.

Please ensure that your child's contact details and any medical information are up-to-date including any additional emergency contacts that your child may have.

Please contact the Front Office at any time to arrange to update the details that we have.



**Date:** 23 May

**Event name:** World Record Stargazing Attempt 2018

**Event details:**

In 2015 Penrith Observatory participated in an Australia wide event, breaking the world record for the number of people observing across multiple locations in one country.

In 2018 the aim is to break our own record but this time smash it in a bigger and better way.

Penrith Observatory will be hosting a star party on the night for everyone that wants to attend.

This event is free but if you don't own a telescope or binoculars you will need to buy a souvenir telescope (\$7.15) when you register to attend this event.

REGISTRATIONS VIA THE EVENTBRITE LINK FROM THE FACEBOOK EVENT ARE ESSENTIAL

**Time:** 7pm – 10pm

**Venue Address:** Penrith Observatory (Building AO), Western Sydney University, Werrington North campus, Great Western Highway, Werrington

**Contact phone or website for public enquiries and bookings:**

[https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/observatorypenrith/penrith\\_observatory/whats\\_on](https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/observatorypenrith/penrith_observatory/whats_on)

**Facebook Event:** <https://www.facebook.com/events/225509981517761/>

## What's on at Penrith Observatory in May

**Date:** 26 May

**Event name:** Astronomy Night: Is anybody out there? The search for extraterrestrial intelligence: A how to guide

**Event details:**

**Speaker –** Dr Ain De Horta

If you've ever wondered if there are other intelligent beings in the universe that are looking out from their home planet wondering the same, then this is the presentation for you. We will look at how we are currently searching for evidence of other intelligent beings in the universe and how we might search in the future.

Includes presentation, short 3D movie, tour of the dome and viewing of the night sky through a range of telescopes (weather permitting).

\$18.00 Adult



## Girl's Only Fitness Class

**Ages:** 11-18yrs

**Price:** \$10 per class

**Time:** 4pm-5pm

**Day:** Thursday's

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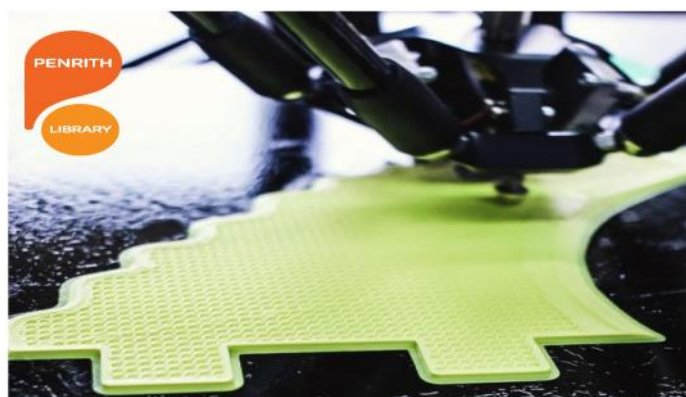
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Date: Saturday 30 June 2018  
 Venue: Hawkesbury Race Club  
 1 Racecourse Road, Clarendon  
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