Core Values

- Teamwork
- Respect
- Excellence
- Opportunity
- Safety

Vision

- TRHS is recognized within our community for excellence in education.
- Students are willingly engaged in a wide range of innovative learning programs.
- Students value learning and achieve their personal best.
- Staff embrace innovative quality teaching methods that focus on 21st century learners.
- Staff work cohesively in a highly professional manner to achieve the school purpose.
- Strong relationships enhance our links to the community and provide a sense of belonging for students, staff and community members.
- Success is recognised and celebrated in our school community.

Tweed River High School

Innovation, Opportunity and Success

Hanging Around at Year 7 Camp

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Purpose

- Provide an innovative, safe learning environment which promotes excellence through opportunity, teamwork and respect
Principal’s Report

This week our Term 1 Year Assemblies were held to acknowledge the achievements of our students during Term 1. These assemblies are always a highlight of our calendar as we recognise students and commend them in front of their peers. This congratulations and recognition is an important aspect of our culture supporting our ethos of quality work and achievement across all fields. I thank all the students who have achieved their personal best this Term across a range of academic, sporting and cultural arenas. I would also like to congratulate the teachers who provide a range of quality learning opportunities which enable our students to achieve their best.

I thank Mrs Mackney and the Year Advisers for their co-ordination of the year assemblies.

I would also like to thank one of our parents, Dr Joe Ogg, for his work with the year 8 ATP class last week. Dr Ogg kindly gave of his time to demonstrate a heart dissection for the class, which I was fortunate to attend. I always enjoy watching our students learn and particularly enjoy learning with them. While students generally enjoy practical science experiments such as a dissection, Dr Ogg’s knowledge and expertise added a new dimension to the experience. It is so important that students recognise how the information they learn at school is applied in the real world.

While I am regularly impressed by the quality of our students and their engagement in learning, my visits to the ATP classes always highlight the outstanding qualities of the students in these classes. Their drive and enthusiasm is contagious and the programs run with the classes are undoubtedly of the highest quality I have seen. Not only are the academic programs superior, but the welfare support and extra-curricular opportunities enhance the development of the whole student.

Enrolments are currently open for our 2014 cohort and I encourage parents who may have children who are interested in applying for any of our excellent academic or sporting programs to contact the school. While we have held a parent information night this Term, a twilight tour of the school will be held for interested parents in Term 2.

I wish our school community a safe and enjoyable holiday break and look forward to seeing our students excel in Term 2.

Leisa Conroy, Principal

Deputy Principal’s Report

My role as Deputy Principal can often be extremely frustrating. Daily I deal with uniform infringements and students arriving late to school or class and of course behaviour infringements.

To circumvent the suspension process we have introduced an after school detention system on Tuesdays from 2.30 – 3.00pm. Parents obviously don’t like seeing their child suspended so we are seeking parent support in this initiative.

How do students get an afternoon detention? If a student receives

• 3 unexplained lates, or
• 3 unexplained out of uniforms, or
• 3 behavioural issues in a week then they will receive a detention. Please note that if students have a note explaining why they are late or why they are out of uniform then they will not get a detention.

Recently we had to suspend students because of aggressive behaviour. If you know that your student is upset because of an issue or conflict with another student could you please let myself or Breen Mackney know this so that we can act to diffuse and resolve the situation early.

The school recently held Year Assemblies to celebrate students’ great work. I would like to commend all the students who received awards. One of my few pleasures is to see students maturing, doing their best and being rewarded for it. Sometimes it takes 4 years for this to happen but none the less it is great to see.

Craig Clement, Deputy Principal

Drop-off/Pickup Zone Survey

The school is attempting to gather information to utilise as statistics in a submission to Tweed Shire Council and the RTA in the hope of having a dedicated ‘Drop-off / Pick-up area’ designated at the front of the school. We need the school community’s support.

• Please complete the questions below and return the slip to the Front Office OR
• email your answers to tweedriver-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

☐ I drop off my child/children at school of a morning
☐ I pick up my child/children from school of an afternoon.

PLUS
You can also add your support via a petition which is located at: https://www.facebook.com/TweedRiverHighDropOffpickUpZoneAndMarkedCrossing
**Principal’s Quality Work Awards**

**English** – TRHS Public Speaking Representatives – Mrs Cunningham / Mr Winter
- Year 7 – Sophie OAKSHOTT; Year 8 – Brittany MORABITO
- Year 9 – Chloe BERGQUIST; Year 10 – Lucas CATEL

**PDHPE** – Mr Coates
- Lilee ATTENBOROUGH-DOYLE; Hine-Rei BERRYMAN; Olivia EDSON; Tayla ROGERS; Kyara SMITH; Olivia SUNDERLAND; Matthew TAYLOR

**Year 9**

**Applied Technology: Textiles - Mrs Marriott**
- Charlie BARK; Tiffany NEILSEN; Aprel PLAYER; Georgia SAUNDERS; Grace SMITH; Faith WILLIAMSON

**Year 10**

**Applied Technology – Mrs Simpson**
- Brittany KEARNS; Sierra MORABITO; Faith WILLIAMSON

**Year 11**

**Applied Technology: Food Technology – Mrs Simpson**
- Brittany D’AGOSTINO; Taylah KOSCHEL; Carly GRAHAM

**CAPA – Visual Arts – Mrs Smith**
- Jana CAPPER; Shanina DENNING; Amelia GREEN; Teagan JEFFERIES; Moesha JOHNSON; Melissa LATHAM

**Year 12**

**Applied Technology – Mrs Amos**
- Thomas ATKINS

**Applied Technology – Food Technology – Mrs Simpson**
- Karly BARTRIM; Mitchell LAWRENCE; Tegan MARTYR; Sommer NICHOLSON; Caitlin O’FLAHERTY; Jacquie SODEN; Nikki STANTON; Daniel WILMOTT

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**KYDD Food at the Canteen**

**Week 11**
- Monday - Pasta carbonara or vego $4.00
- Tuesday - Butter chicken or vego curry with rice $4.50
- Wednesday - Meal Deal - A burger & a juice poppa $5.00
- Thursday - Beef or bean burritos with rice, salsa and cheese $4.50
- Friday - Check canteen for last day of term specials

**Term 2**

**Week 1**
- Monday - Staff only
- Tuesday - Staff only
- Wednesday - Meal Deal - A burger and a juice poppa $5.00
- Thursday - Pasta with a bacon herb sauce or vego $4.00
- Friday - Savoury rice topped with sliced chicken $4.00

**Week 2**
- Monday - Bucket of wedges with salsa, Sour cream, cheese $3.50
- Tuesday - Pasta Bolognaise or vego $4.00
- Wednesday - Meal deal - a focaccia and a paddle pop $5.00
- Thursday - Beef or bean burritos with rice, salsa, and cheese $4.50
- Friday - Satay chicken and rice, or vego curry $4.50
With ANZAC Day coming closer the SRC would like to get more of the school involved in the ANZAC Day march (from Coolangatta to Jack Evans Boat Harbour) and the service in Chris Cunningham Park. It is a great day to remember the servicemen and women who fought and died for our country. The event will be held on Thursday 25th April. If you are interested in taking part on this day please get a permission form from the front office.

The SRC took surveys around to all the home room classes and all the students filled them out. After collating the surveys the Captains and Vice Captains had a meeting with Ms Conroy to discuss the results. Hopefully the changes you wanted made will be introduced sometime in the near future.

On behalf of the SRC we hope you all had a happy Easter and that you enjoy your holidays.

Zoe Boxsell, SRC Publicity Officer

The Titans, with the support of the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations, have launched a new program for Indigenous girls in schools in Surat, SE QLD and N.NSW. Each of these areas is known as a Girls Academy and takes in a number of schools. Students from Tweed River High and Banora Point High make up the academy in N.NSW. There are 56 girls from Tweed River High (Years 7-12) enrolled in the program. Jodie Minton was recently appointed the Indigenous Student Liaison Officer at Tweed River High and will be working on the program with Aunty Chris Morgan, former Principal Narelle Howell, former Deputy Principal Cathy Dickson and Indigenous Programs Coordinator Jan Ryan. Jodie is a trained teacher and brings to the role a wealth of experience working with Indigenous young people.

The program is aimed at improving students’ attendance, engagement, performance and retention; and increasing parental and community involvement at school. Jodie will work with students in the classroom and at the new high performance centre, before and after school. The Titans 4 Tomorrow Sporting Chance Academy will also incorporate workshops with the Titans team. Aunty Chris, Jodie and students recently spent a day at Banora Point High School under the motivational guidance of ex-league stars Preston Campbell and Clinton Toopi. In June the girls will head off for a residential camp with the Titans team. Jodie is at school Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and can be found in Aunty Chris’ office. Students are welcome to seek help or just come and say hi between 8am-4pm. Jodie can also be contacted on jodie.minton4@det.nsw.edu.au or 07 5524 3007. This is a great opportunity for Indigenous girls at Tweed River to really make a difference to their futures.

COMMEMORATIVE MURAL PROJECT

Mike Kiker delivered a presentation to Year 9 Visual Arts students on his role as a War Artist. Mike shared experiences and observations of his time creating propaganda art works in East Timor. Mikes work, ranging from logos to illustrations and photography, was created in order to help communicate to the people of East Timor that the UN was there to help.

Mike's talk is part of the Tweed Heads & Coolangatta RSL Sub Branch’s Gallipoli 100 Year Commemorative Mural Project, which the Year 9 students will be participating in.
On Saturday 16th March Joel Kelleher, Danielle Bottriell, James Phillips, Christie-Anne Sansby, Jack Anthony and I represented Tweed River High School at the Annual Rotary Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA) held at the Tweed Heads Civic Centre. MUNA is a competition between schools from all over the North Coast that encourages students to debate current issues occurring around the world. This year students debated topics such as the control of nuclear weapons, agricultural sustainability, the situation in Afghanistan and controlling small arms trading. Joel, James and Danielle represented New Zealand while Jack, Christie and I represented Australia. Unfortunately neither teams won but it was a great experience and definitely increased our confidence and public speaking skills.

Michael Watt, School Captain
In 2013, the Science Department will provide an opportunity for science students to challenge themselves in the Big Science Competition.

This one-hour international competition is open to students of all abilities at three difference levels: Junior (Years 7 and 8), Intermediate (Years 9 and 10) and Senior (Years 11 and 12). Questions are aligned with the Australian Curriculum and test students' critical thinking and problem-solving skills as well as their science knowledge.

Each student who takes part will receive a certificate as well as detailed feedback on their performance in the competition. They also go into a draw to win hundreds of iTunes and movie vouchers. Our school will receive a comprehensive report for each paper level showing how each student performed on each question, the percentage of students in the cohort who answered correctly, and a comparison with the national results.

The Big Science Competition will be held in school between 22nd – 29th May 2013.

The Big Science Competition is organised by Australian Science Innovations, a non-profit organisation committed to providing high quality science extension programs that inspire, challenge and raise the aspirations of students in science.

For more information visit www.asi.edu.au
OR contact Ms A. Andrews (Science)

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On Thursday 28th March the Year 11 Standard and Advanced English students spent the day delivering and listening to speeches as part of their first common assessment task. This challenging task required them to deliver a presentation demonstrating their critical and personal understanding of the concept of ‘journeys’ as exhibitors in an imaginary exhibition in Byron Bay. Initially many students found the task daunting and struggled to understand its scope, but this experience provided them with a valuable introduction to the demands of Preliminary HSC and HSC English. Despite the challenges of the task there were some excellent speeches and very impressive visual presentations.

Our English Studies students were fortunate to have a number of presentations delivered by outside providers. The topics covered included “Life’s What We Make It” and “Telling it like it is”. Presenters included Jodie Minton (Titans Sporting Chance), Dimity Jones (Zarraffas), Pam Turton (Australian Apprenticeship Centre), Defence Force Recruiting and Rob Potts (Paramedic). These presentations complimented the Mandatory Module which the students are studying this term. TRHS sincerely thanks these people for their time and expertise and we look forward to having further presentations throughout the course.

Ms S Smith, Rel. HT English
Our girls Open Touch team recently competed in the CAS CUP 2013 at Casuarina and have once again shown that Touch at Tweed River High continues to grow. The Cup encompassed Men’s, Women’s and Mixed teams from the Gold Coast to Brisbane and showcased many South Queensland representative players. Over the weekend the girls came up against some excellent competition but showed their usual fighting spirit. They unfortunately didn’t make the finals but showed that even though they were playing in an Open Women’s competition they were willing to fight through every minute of the games.

Well done to the girls and good luck now for the Opens CHS Knockout competition.

An extract from ilivelocal.com.au ezine for Gold Coast Division 11

"As an extra special treat, Councillor Jan Grew has organised Miss Morgan Kingi to perform a few songs prior to the movie screening.

Morgan has been performing since the age of six and is currently completing Year 12 at the Tweed River High School. She is due to sit her HSC Exam in November this year.

Morgan has performed at numerous school events, and has been invited to sing at Jupiters Casino in Broadbeach and the Gold Coast Arts Centre in Bundall on many occasions. She also performs regularly for the Gold Coast Titans.

In 2012 Morgan performed at the Indigenous All Stars function and at the launch of the 2012 NRL season in Sydney.

There’s no denying that this young lady is a highly sought-after talent. Morgan is the lead female vocalist for local band ‘Toe Jammin’, as well as a female vocalist for the Tweed River High School Band. She is even a member of a trio named Wild with Kings, with her brother Zane and guitarist Pat Wilde.

In February this year, Morgan performed at the Museum of Contemporary Art in Brisbane to launch the new Titans’ program T4T and the biggest highlight of the event for Morgan was meeting Jessica Mauboy, who is a mentor for the T4T program. Jessica joined Morgan onstage to perform her final song, At Last, which was a thrill for Morgan and a huge honour.

The event will be a real treat for the local community, so make sure you don’t miss out on seeing one of our local up-and-coming superstars doing what she does best in her own town."
In weeks 9 and 10 students have been selecting a sport for Term 2 online using Moodle. Students have been reminded that it is first in best dressed! Students can access Moodle on the Internet at home. Years 7 and 8 have been given class time to make a choice. If any student has not made a choice by Thursday the 4th of April they need to see Miss Alford in the SEC staffroom, otherwise they will be allocated a sport for the term.

Parents please ensure you know what sport your child has chosen, and whether it involves a cost and/or travel arrangements. The following sports below involve a cost for students:

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Students who have chosen the following sports must collect a permission note off their sport teacher and have it returned by Tuesday of Week 1 Term 2: Weights, Fishing, Rollerskating, Gymnastics, Surfing (transport also required) and River walking. Students can collect these permission notes from Friday the 5th of April.

Please ensure appointments aren’t made during sport time as sport is mandatory for all students from Years 7-10 and it is important that they are participating to the best of their abilities to get the most out of our school’s sport program.

**NORTH COAST SPORT**

Sammy-Jo Curtis in Year 12, one of our school captains, has made the North Coast Netball Team. She will now be competing in Tamworth at the NSW CHS Titles, all the best to Sammy-Jo. Sammy-Jo has been an excellent sporting role model to students at Tweed River for many years.

We had 3 students move through to the Northern North Coast U15 Rugby League team. Michael Chalmers, Boaz Sinclair and Shaun Dinsey competed in Grafton on the 3rd of April, hoping to be selected in the North Coast Rugby League team. Good luck to those boys!

**NSW STATE SWIMMING**

On the 4th - 6th of April our State Swimmers will be competing at Homebush Bay in Sydney in the NSW CHS Swimming Championships. We have students competing in relay events and individual events. All staff and students from Tweed River wish these 13 students the very best of luck: Leah Jones, Maddison Buchanan, Chloe Bergquist, Amilia Green, Nina Green, Seth Johnson, Tahnie Lipponen, Talanie Louis, Caitlin Mison, Carly Piper, Sami Piper, Chelsea Wilson and Hine-Rei Berryman.

**SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY AND ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**

So parents are aware, the school Cross Country date is the 8th of May, which is the Wednesday of Week 2 Term 2. Students will have to nominate to compete in the Cross Country. More information will be available closer to the date.

The Athletics Carnival is on 6th of June. I am looking forward to seeing all students present at the carnival and competing for their respective house!

Ms J Alford, Sports Organiser 2013

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**GOLF**

Jay Borra, Yr10, played extremely well last week at Yamba and won best Nett. He has been selected to play for the North Coast School squad for 2013.
Could you benefit from a family support service?
The Family Centre is a community based not-for-profit organisation that provides a range of free quality services for families and individuals who reside in the Tweed Shire. Our Family Services aim to increase the safety and wellbeing of children and young people and strengthen family relationships. Family workers can meet with families at our centres in Tweed Heads South and Murwillumbah, in client homes or at other agreed locations.
For further information check out our website at www.thefamilycentre.org.au, or contact us on 07 5524 8711 or drop in during intake, 15-17 Rivendell Tweed Heads South NSW between 9am - 12.30pm Monday to Friday.

New Safety Tools for Kids

CYBERSAFETY HELP BUTTON

The Cybersafety Help Button is a short cut to help and advice for young people and families. There are times when young people using the internet need help and advice on how to handle a situation that disturbs them—such as when they are subjected to cyberbullying, or receive other unwanted contact, or see content that is upsetting.

What help does the button offer?

Development of the Cybersafety Help Button was formed by young Australians in collaboration with industry, not-for-profit and government stakeholders. It offers a 'one-stop shop' for a range of cybersafety assistance and resources.

When a user accesses the downloaded Cybersafety Help Button while connected to the internet, it will open the cybersafety help and advice page which provides direct links to:

- Kids Help Line professional counselling services
- the pages for reporting abuse and the safety centres of social networking sites including Facebook, Formspring and Twitter, and online game sites including Moshi Monsters, Nintendo and Xbox
- Scam Watch to report online scams and fraud
- the Australian Communications and Media Authority and the Australian Federal Police to report inappropriate online content or unwanted contact
- cybersafety information websites, including Cybersmart and Stay Smart Online

If there is immediate danger to anyone, the user should call '000' or tell a trusted adult.

Go to www.dbcde.gov.au/helpbutton
GOLD COAST CAREERS EXPO is a fantastic opportunity for students in Years 10 – 12 to learn about the huge range of employment and training options available in the Tweed Gold Coast and Brisbane areas.

Year 10 will be moving into the process of Subject Selection for their Senior Studies on the 6th June. ALL students in Year 10 are encouraged to take up the opportunity to participate in the school excursion to this event. The Careers Expo provides students with the chance to talk with training providers and prospective employers from a wide range of industry areas as well as attend a range of presentations. A detailed list of exhibitors can be found at www.gccareersexpo.com.au OR www.facebook.com/gccareersexpo

Students in Years 11 and 12 are encouraged to attend the event after school from 3 – 8pm. It is also very worthwhile for parents to revisit the Expo with their Year 10 students.

Who: Yr 10 students interested in researching their future career planning
What: Gold Coast Careers Expo
When: Thursday, 9th May 2013
Where: RACV Royal Pines Resort
Why: Broaden your understanding of potential career paths and their training requirements. This knowledge will better equip you to make your Subject Selections for Yr 11.
Cost: $10.00 to the school office and permission note to Mr Cleland / Mrs Page-Thomas no later than Monday 6th May.

Mrs Page-Thomas, Careers Adviser

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For more information contact Jackie 0409190468 or come down to training at Bilambil Council grounds Tuesdays or Thursdays 4:30pm to 5:30pm.
NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK
TWEED SHIRE
5-14 APRIL 2013
BE ACTIVE. BE HAPPY. BE YOU.

Youth Week is the largest celebration for young people in Australia. Get involved and support the local events happening throughout the week.

FRIDAY 5 April, 7.00pm-10.00pm
Movie Night @ Murwillumbah Youth Centre, Nullum Street
FREE 12-18 years Hosted by CoolHeads

Sunday 7 April, 9.00am – 4.00pm
“School of Rock” Workshop @ PCYC, Florence & Adelaide Street Tweed Heads
Hosted by PCYC – Contact Mark on 07 5599 1714

WEDNESDAY 10 April, 10.00am – 3.00pm
National Youth Homelessness Matters Day Displays @ various locations
Hosted by St Joseph’s Youth Service - Contact Gerina on 07 5589 1800

Thursday 11 April, 6.00pm – 11.00pm
Tweed Battle of the Band – FINAL @ Tweed Civic Centre, Brett Street
$10 punters entry Hosted by Safer Communities Alliance
Check Facebook for details

SATURDAY 13 April 2013, Registration 11.00am – Start 12.00pm
South Tweed BMX/Skate Comp Under 16’s Open @ South Tweed Skate Bowl
$5 registration Great Prizes Entertainment
Hosted by St Joseph’s Youth Service - Contact Jason on 07 5589 1800

BEFORE YOUTH WEEK:

Tweed Battle of the Bands Thursday 28 March, 6.00pm HEAT 1 @ Cudgen
Leagues Club $10 punters entry Hosted by Safer Communities Alliance

Tweed Battle of the Bands Thursday 4 April, 6.00pm HEAT 2 @ Cudgen
Leagues Club $10 punters entry Hosted by Safer Communities Alliance
Walk or run (4km or 8km) for Breast Cancer Research

Where: Main Beach Place Park, Main Beach on the Gold Coast

When: Sunday 12th May 2013

Time: From 6am

How do I register??

2. Select the event you want to participate in ie. Gold Coast
3. Click ‘Register Here’
4. Select the type of ticket you would like to purchase
5. Fill in the form
6. When it asks you if you are a member of a team, select ‘Make a new team’

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**Contact Jasmin Dorrington your local Saver Plus Worker:**
(07) 5536 5613 or jasmin.dorrington@thesmithfamily.com.au

_Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government._
The region's largest youth arts festival on the banks of the beautiful Evans River in Evans Head Saturday 27th April kicks off at 8am with our first ever surf comp till 4pm as well as Hip Hop, live bands, skate jam, heaps of free stuff to do Evans Head's largest ever markets Bring the whole family and have a great day We have free buses from right across the region

Check out crankfestxtreme.com for all the details.