Tweed River High School

NEWSLETTER
3rd September 2014 (Term 3 Week 8)

Core Values

► Teamwork
► Respect
► Excellence
► Opportunity
► Safety

Purpose

► Provide an innovative, safe learning environment which promotes excellence through opportunity, teamwork and respect

Vision

► TRHS is recognised 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.
Principal’s Report

This week is SASS (School Administrative and Support Staff) Recognition Week. This is an important week at Tweed River High School as we acknowledge the work of our support people within the school. Our SASS work tirelessly to support students, teachers and parents and ensure the school runs smoothly.

Please take the chance to acknowledge the work of our office, grounds staff and student support officers this week and thank them for their work with your children.

Planning
Thank you to the parents and students who have completed our online surveys. I appreciate your input into the new school plan. If you are yet to complete the survey please complete it prior to the end of this week.

Last week I was privileged to attend a session with students at the SRC camp to work with our student leaders. This gave me the opportunity to speak to the students about how they think we should build on our strengths to further improve opportunities for our students as we move into the new planning cycle. I commend the SRC on their maturity in this discussion and for their consideration of the responsibility they have in representing their peers.

I have also been gaining feedback from the P&C as to how we can further build on our successes as we move into the new planning cycle. The P&C also provided Ms Smith and Ms Moore with some input into the development of an updated homework policy. All parents are welcome to attend our P&C meetings. They provide an excellent forum for communication with the school and for having input into decision making.

The P&C have requested that the school provide an easy to follow parent guide to Moodle, to facilitate improved use of the facility. Moodle is an excellent tool that can be used to enhance your understanding of what your child is doing in class. A copy of this guide is attached to the newsletter and can also be accessed on the school Moodle. Access to Moodle provides you with an excellent starting point for conversations with your children about their learning.

Leisa Conroy
Principal
**SRC Report**

The SRC have just returned from their first camp which revolved around introducing new members, team building and developing leadership skills. The camp was successful with all members in attendance enjoying themselves and displaying great team work.

The SRC will soon have a planning day to bring forward and collate any issues or initiatives that we can help the school with. Anyone who would like input on what they think would benefit the school please seek out an SRC member and give them your opinion.

A big thank you to everyone who took place in the 40 hour famine, this includes anyone who supported the brave students who gave up something. We still need anyone involved to bring back any money and left over books to Mr Wood as soon as possible please.

Zoe Boxsell, SRC Publicity Officer

**Principal's Quality Work Award**

**Year 8**
HSIE: Geography – Mrs Ryan
Corey COX; Natalie FREEMAN; Zac KING; Rachel LODER; Sophie OAKSHOTT

**Year 10**
Applied Technology – Mrs Mackney
Jasmine CURTIS-GESELLE; Georgia SAUNDERS; Faith WILLIAMSON

**Principal’s Office – Mrs Conroy**
Georgia SAUNDERS

**Year 11**
HSIE: Modern History – Mrs Wolthers
Jackson CULLEN; Erin HICKEY

**Principal’s Office – Mrs Conroy**
Erin HICKEY

**Year 12**
Principal’s Office – Mrs Conroy
Charlee ANTHONY; Karly BARTRIM; Danielle DAVISON

**KYDD Food at the Canteen**

**Term 3 Week 9**
Monday - Pasta carbonara $4.00
Tuesday - Baked potato with bolognaise sauce & cheese or vego $4.50
Wednesday - Meal deal - a burger & a small water $5.00
Thursday - Red Day, fish n gems, potato scallops, healthy options available
Friday - Pasta bolognaise or vego pasta $4.00

**Week 10**
Monday - Wedges topped with salsa, sour cream & cheese $3.50
Tuesday - Butter chicken & rice $4.50
Wednesday - Meal deal – a focaccia & a paddle pop $5.00
Thursday - Pasta with a tomato, herb, bacon sauce $4.00
Friday - all toasted sandwiches $2.00 Happy holidays
Congratulations to the Opens Boys and Girls Touch teams who travelled to Gosford last week for the State Knockout Touch Finals. This was a huge achievement for the teams and the school as we have not had both teams in the finals since 1995. Both teams showed their usual commitment, determination and will to win, aiming for nothing less than first place. The girls finished top of their pool going on to narrowly lose to Narrabeen High in the semi and eventually Kiama High in a drop off to finish fourth. The boys finished second in their pool also losing to Hills Sports High in the semi and then in a drop off to Tuggerah High to also be placed fourth. Players voted at the finals were Jesse Curtis Year 10 and Tarryn Aiken Year 9.

A big thanks to all the students for their hard work leading up to the finals, their fair play and sportsmanship showed on the field, their behaviour on the three day trip and just generally for continually putting a smile on my face every day. They are a credit to their families and the school and deserve all the recognition they receive. A huge thank you to Mr Fugar who helped with the driving and also did some refereeing, to John and Louise Sleba who also accompanied us on the trip and to Koen Sleba, from Banora Point High, who also came as our Referee. Without these people we wouldn't have got there and back.

Lastly I would like to thank the eleven Year 12 students in the teams who unfortunately have played their last games in the "famous" green and black singlets. What you have given to the younger students in these teams and to Touch in general in the school cannot be measured. I have become a better coach and teacher because of you and I am going to miss you all very much. I wish you luck in whatever you set your mind to next year and hope that you will continue to support the school and school touch in the future.

Mr Swaddle
Charlee Anthony – Yr12

For the last 12 months Charlee has been a part of the Australian/New Zealand Pony Club Exchange Team. She was one of 6 children selected to be part of the Team. In January Charlee spent 10 days in New Zealand billeted by a New Zealand Pony Club Family and competed at various events on a borrowed horse. She competed in the Canterbury Challenge one day event and cross country jumping event, in which she placed 4th, the only Australian to place. Then in July, over 2 weekends of competition, Charlee was awarded Reserve Champion Rider at this event.

Charlee has achieved great success this year in her horse riding competitions including finalist at the 2014 Grand Nationals held in Sydney in March; runner-up Newcomer Horse of the Year, with her young Galloway that she has trained herself; runner-up Intermediate Hack of the Year, with her young Hack at the Show Horse Qld Horse of The Year; Hi Point Horse and Rider at The Qld State Arabian Championships; Associate Point Score Winner on equal points at The Zone 15 Pony Club Flat Riding Championships; Champion Rider and Reserve Champion Hack at The Qld State Riding Pony Championships and recently Champion Ridden Arabian Derivative at The Qld Royal Show, just to name a few of her major achievements.

Charlee is also part of the TRHS girls Touch Football and Rugby League teams which are so far undefeated.
School Sport Australia - Cross Country Championships
Jacquie Soden in Year 12 has recently represented NSW at the School Sport Australia Cross Country Championships in Albany, Western Australia. Jacquie competed in the 18+ age division and placed 3rd in her event. What an incredible result!!! Jacquie has proven time and time again that commitment and dedication can result in fantastic performances, and I have been astounded by her utter modesty towards her amazing achievements in the sport of Cross Country. She has improved her placing every year she has competed. At the beginning of next year she is trialling for the U20’s 6km team at the World Selection trials in Canberra to gain a place in the Australian team, who will travel to China. What a wonderful accomplishment and I know I sure will be listening out for her name in future in regards to long distance running!

State Touch Football
Tweed River High’s Open girl’s and boy’s touch football teams travelled to Gosford in the Top 10 State Finals last week. Both teams had a wonderful result, with both placed 4th in the state! This is a result that has come about due to commitment, hard work and determination by all players and their coach Mr Swaddle. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the students who represented the school in such an outstanding fashion, and particularly mention our Year 12 students as this was their last competition representing the school, after many years of representation. You have set up a wonderful path for other students to follow, been outstanding role models both on and off the field, and shown dignity and sportsmanship in all areas of your school sporting careers. I would also like to thank Mr Swaddle whose hard work and commitment to touch football at our school has made a difference to the level our students are competing at and the consistency that they have competed at this level. Thank you once again to all involved for continuing Tweed River’s excellent sporting name in the community.

NSWCHS Athletics
A number of our students are representing the North Coast at the NSWCHS Athletics Carnival from the 4th - 6th September at Homebush Bay in Sydney. Good luck to the following students who will be representing the North Coast and our school: Kayla Harris, Liam Scanes, Jacquie Soden, Jasmin Mansfield-French, Andrew Scanes, Tulloch Myrianthopoulos, Ben Bullock and Ryan Needham. We will be waiting to hear your results!

Presley Johnson – Taekwondo
A special mention in this newsletter must go to Presley Johnson who has recently competed in the Australian Open, a G2 event, which was held at Homebush Bay in Sydney from the 15th to 17th August. Presley gained a silver medal in the Boys 12-14 year, 37-41 kg division! He is now training for Nationals which is in December in Adelaide.

Sport Choices Term 4
Information on sport choices for Term 4 has been handed out in rolls at the end of Week 7. The TRHS Moodle site will be open from Monday 1st September to Friday afternoon the 12th September. You can access this site from home with the internet. There are a number of choices for students, and a number that are not offered every Term so students need to get in quick because it is first in best dressed! Students can pick Surf Survival ($5 for term) to get their accreditation for Surfing the following year. A number of sports including these involve transport and permission notes. Please ensure this is considered before making choices.

Bev from Tweed Heads Tennis has offered to run Tennis coaching sessions at Arkinstall Park for $50 for the Term which is a great price (only $5 per session)! This would have to be paid at the beginning of the Term. We also have Mixed Martial Arts running through a qualified instructor, Brett Jacobsen: “You will learn proven self-defence and combat sport techniques from Pro MMA fighter and Coach Brett Jacobsen. It involves various techniques from Kick Boxing to Wrestling and Judo to Brazilian Jiu Jitsu. You will have fun, get fit and learn how to defend yourself in any situation.”

Thank you Year 12 2014!
I would like to take this opportunity to wish our Year 12 students the very best for their HSC, and thank all of those students who have represented the school in sport over the years. You will be sorely missed!!!

Yours in Sport
Miss Jennifer Alford
Sports Organiser 2014
Human Powered Vehicle Competition

The onlookers are amazed...They grab a sneak peek at the undercover test vehicle heavily disguised amongst students travelling to classes....

The HPV is looking very ‘smick’ indeed! Sorry no photos until the big reveal! The students worked busily to complete the marking out and cutting of the aerodynamic skin (fairing) over the human powered vehicle in preparation for Northern Rivers Signs. A few sneaky paparazzi may have gained a glimpse of the vehicle with the graphics applied!

We had a super Friday with parent helpers and students cutting out plastic sheeting and zip tying the sheeting on to the roll cage. Lachlan Thomas quotes, “More Zippies”! “Yes” Mr Wiggins states “Guess what, you will have to know how many ‘zippies’ are in the vehicle and tell me on the trip home from Maryborough...” “No green bottles on the wall... How many ‘zippies’ are left standing on the HPV floor?”

The students have had their first practice runs with the vehicle. They are all super keen to ride the HPV. “The folio work has to be done”, says Mr Wiggins! The boys spent this weekend getting all the unfinished design folio work in order. The folio has to be sent off for marking this week, prior to the team interview the day before racing.

Mr Wiggins would like to thank all the parent helpers that have been contributing their time to help with the project and folio over the last few weeks to meet the aerodynamic fairing and design folio deadlines.

Next weekend is vehicle training and tuning! The boys head off for racing on the 12th September. Wish them good luck!

This week the team would like to recognise Tweed Fitness Factory for supporting the students with access to the spin bikes and weights room.

Tweed River High School would like to thank Tweed Fitness Factory for their kind sponsorship.

For all your training needs see Sharon and Ken at Tweed Fitness Factory!

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Alternatively you can simply type "Tweed River High Moodle" into Google and select the first result.

2. Once the page has loaded enter the student's username and password. This is the same student username and password that the student uses to access computers on the school network.

3. Once the student has logged into Moodle, they will be able to access all areas of the site that they have permission to view.

   NB: Some courses may have a teacher specified password which students will need to know to access the course.

4. Going to a course or calendar is as simple as choosing off the list of subject areas shown on the front page.
   a. Then scrolling down to the required course for a given year group. See example on right.
   b. Click on the course name you want to go to.

5. Where a student has not entered a course before - simply click the Enrol me button on the first occasion they attempt to view a course.

6. Each course is designed by the teacher to suit class needs. Typically units will appear as the example below.

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### Engineering Workshop Drawings

The aim of this unit is for students to read and produce "workshop" drawings using AS1100 (the Australian Drawing Standard).

There are two main types of workshop drawings: DETAIL (all the details of one part) and ASSEMBLY (parts joined together).

NB: Sometimes for simpler objects these drawings may be combined.

Using the handouts below and blank A4 sheets of paper:

- Produce fresh hand sketches of the various engineering features shown in the handout below.
- Sketch no more than 4 items per page. Complete the 12 items discussed in class.

Take care with lettering and shading and label each of the features.

#### Resource Materials

- Drawings of engineering features

Submit your Engineering Terms Assignment here.

#### Engineering Terms Assignment

Tasks

- Task 1 - Machine block

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Selection: Downloads a copy of resource document

Selection: To submit/upload an electronic assignment for marking

Opens a file in Moodle with work to be completed
Well done to Ms Sinclair and the boys from Year 10 who are involved in the volunteering program at the South Tweed HACCentre. Congratulations.

Celebrate Remember Fight Back!

TWEED VALLEY RELAY FOR LIFE  MARCH 7th & 8th  2015

CALL FOR VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE MEMBERS

General meeting Wed. 17th September Cudgen Headland Surf Life Saving club 6pm. We are in need of people to fill the vacant positions and people to come on board to assist coordinators. If you think you can offer a little or a lot of your time, please come along to our first official Relay For Life Committee meeting for the 2015 Relay.

Contacts: Dot 0438742637 or Lynn 07 5599 2175

Year 10 Coastal Management Excursion – a fun day too!!
THE UNDERWATER WORLD has captured the imagination of Matt Gobel. His interest in Marine Studies has taken him on a variety of dive expeditions in South Eastern Queensland and Northern NSW. Matt is enrolled in Year 11 marine studies at Tweed River High School and started studying the field in Year 9.

“I just love the ocean and have always had a connection to it. I love the marine creatures and it has just stuck with me,” Matt said.

“My parents like marine studies but they are not involved in it. My Dad used to work on boats and surf’s though.

Matt learnt to dive in 2013 with Coolangatta Dive School at a practice pool before graduating to the ocean at Cook Island.

“Cook Island is a really nice night dive and is completely different.” Matt said.

“It’s crazy all the stuff that comes out and there is a lot of different creatures and it’s a massive change to daytime.

“We saw Wobbegons (Carnet Sharks), a really big Shovel Nose Shark and when we first saw its tail we thought it was a Bull Shark.

“It was great at night with all the different glows sticks and light flickering when you jump in.”

Matt has dived 30 times for around 30 minutes each time at sites, including HMAS Brisbane, Kingscliff’s 9 Mile Reef, Moreton Bay – Gotham City and Cook Island.

Matt is acquiring the relevant skills in diving and first aid to further his professional skills. Matt’s passion for the sea and this particular field has earned him first place in his class for the last two years. In the future Matt will study commercial diving at the Beauty Point Maritime College in Launceston, Tasmania.
Tweed Dragons Inc.

COME & TRY DAY

To be held at JACK EVANS HARBOUR

SEPTEMBER 14, 2014

10.00AM–12.30PM
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Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th October @ Flight Centre Tweed City Store

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Saturday’s Open till 5pm (instead of 4pm)
Sunday’s Open till 4pm (instead of 3pm)

Kirra SLSC Nippers 2014/15 Sign On
Free Rashie for all members

Sunday 24th August & 14th September at Oasis Pool, Club Banora, 9am – 11am
Open Day/Kirra SLSC Saturday 31st August, 9am – 12pm
Nippers season starts Kirra SLSC Saturday 21st September, 2014 8.45am – 11am

Fees paid on sign-on day:
$75 U6 & 7
$90 U8-U14
$80 per nippers parent, for Associate membership.
At least 1 parent must also become an Associate member.
$250 per family of 4 (at the same address)

Further info www.kirrasurfclub.com.au

DEBATING THE POINT
More competitions for Years 7 & 8

THE BEST HOLIDAYS HAPPEN AT CAMP
Choose from over 30 exhilarating camps at 10 locations across NSW these school holidays.

Our Sport and Recreation Centres offer over 40 activities for kids aged 5 to 16 years. Try your hand at fishing, mountain biking, kayaking, abseiling, crafts, cooking or flying fox. You’re sure to find a camp the kids will love.

Kids’ Camps from $45 per day

fb.com/nswsportandrecreation
www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/kidscamps 13 13 02
RSA & RCG Courses for

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Job Opportunities
As the year comes to an end, students will be finishing up their senior exams and job searching for the summer. Entering the workforce as a minor can be difficult with little to none experience or training. The CHP School of hospitality will assist your students to becoming qualified in numerous hospitality areas providing traineeships and accredited courses.

The most common courses conducted at schools are the RSA & RCG Course. Completing RSA & RCG training will assist you in understanding the relevant state or territory legislation, licensing requirements and responsible service of alcohol and conduct of gaming principles. These accreditations will allow for careers in bars, hotels, wait attendant, elite cocktails, functions and events.

How does it work?
For a class of 10 students, as a minimum, we will send out one of our fully qualified trainers to your venue to conduct a 1 day interactive workshop with the students. All materials supplied. We can also organise advertisement material for you to give to the students.

If a class can not be organised, we can arrange for them to sit in on a public course held out our modern Sydney venue, Canterbury Hurlstone Park RSL Club.

Costs
The general price per course is $110 for RCG and $120 for RSA, however we are offering both courses for a combo price of $220. Club Grants is also available for schools within the Canterbury area, offering each unit at $60 each. Therefore the RSA & RCG will be available together for $120. Please call the RTO to discuss whether you are applicable for this funding.

Get Certified!
1 day course for RSA & RCG certification.
Award: OLGR RSA Certificate—required for working in any licensed premises serving alcohol in NSW.

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(02) 9559 0040 or rto@chprsl.com.au

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2014 Flower & Garden Expo
Saturday 6th September, 2014
Tweed Heads Civic Centre
8.30am–2.30 pm  Entry $3

Judged exhibits  Plant Sales
Stalls  Workshops  Raffles

WORKSHOP PROGRAM
9.00am: Wonderful World of Herbs; Dan the Herb Man
10.00am: Creating & Maintaining Bonsai; Peter Meredith
11.00am: Interesting & Unusual Recycling in the Garden;
Helen Rattenbury
12.00: Repotting & Caring for Orchids; Graeme Symonds
Bob Sullivan (Also Tassel Ferns)
2.00pm: Presentations & Raffle prizes

CONTACTS
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Start a new beginning
at the end of the year!

Live and study overseas
from Nov, Dec 2014 or Jan 2015
2, 3, 5 or 10 months

SOUTHERN CROSS CULTURAL EXCHANGE
information session
Tuesday 9 September 2014 7 - 9pm

MELBOURNE
Conochie Hall
2 Rochester Rd
Canterbury

BRISBANE
Brisbane Girls Grammar
70 Gregory Terrace
Brisbane
BBCC 3rd Floor Creative Learning Centre

SYDNEY
Lane Cove Library
Library Place
Lane Cove
Parking station below
in Austin St

ADELAIDE
Marion Cultural Centre
287 Diagonal Rd
Oaklands Park

1800 500 501 scceaust@scce.com.au www.scce.com.au
2014 Speech Topics

**Junior topics**

Students in years 7-8 should choose one of the following topics for their 4 minute prepared speech.

- What can Australia do to reduce global poverty?
- How can we ensure that leaders listen to the opinions of young people?
- What can Australia do to improve its education system?
- How can we prevent discrimination against minority groups?
- What can Australia do to help reduce the effects of Climate Change globally?
- How can we improve access to healthcare globally?

**Senior topics**

Students in years 9-10 should choose one of the following topics for their 5 minute prepared speech.

- How can we develop an international system that reduces the rate of war between countries?
- How can we improve access to food in the developing world?
- How can we balance national security with the individual right to privacy?
- How can Australia compete in the 21st century economy?
- What can we do to close the 12 year life expectancy gap between indigenous and non-indigenous Australians?

UN Youth Voice is the flagship public speaking event for students in Years 7-10, now running at a national level. Unlike any other public speaking competition, UN Youth Voice asks contestants to present their innovative solutions to some of the world’s most prominent and pressing issues. The competition encourages initiative and sustainability, rewarding substance in speeches as well as speaking manner and structure.

Students are invited to select the issue about which they are most passionate from five provided topics. The aim is to suggest tangible and achievable solutions to the complications surrounding their given topic. This is presented through a prepared speech, with a judges “Question Time” component.

In 2014, UN Youth Voice will be divided into two divisions: Junior (Years 7 and 8) and Senior (Years 9 and 10). Regional rounds will run throughout October, taking place in Brisbane, the Gold and Sunshine Coasts, Townsville and Lismore. Selected students will then progress to the Queensland Semi-Finals, followed by a Queensland State Final. Outstanding students will then be chosen to represent the Queensland division at the inaugural UN Youth Voice National Finals in 2015.

**Voice Queensland**

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