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, where:
- 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 focused on the needs of 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 by our school community.
- Students develop and are recognised for positive citizenship within the school and wider community.
Time is quickly running out for our Year 12 students to accumulate results in line with their potential. This is a critical phase for Year 12, one where they will need the school and parents to work together to encourage and support our students to ensure that they make the most of these final weeks in their school education. It is common for some students to become very anxious during this time as deadlines for final assessments loom large. Others simply give up.

It is important that students are reminded of a couple of things. Firstly, while the HSC is a significant set of exams, the day to day work done in class is just as important to the final result. Secondly, there is always room for improvement in the marks that are accumulating towards that final result. Now is not the time to give up. Now is the time to focus effort, to work consistently and push to the finish line. Now is the time to glean that slight advantage from each task. With some 70,000 students completing the HSC this year every mark counts in the struggle to achieve your goals.

The coming weeks are also an important time for our Year 10 students as they plan the next stage of their school education. Expressions of Interest for subjects in 2016 are due to the office by lunchtime on Friday 12th. Subject lines will be developed from these choices to best meet the needs of the majority of our students. All students need to ensure that they are listening for announcements about their subject selections and the deadlines for re-selection where it is required.

Finally last week I was privileged enough to accompany our School Captains, Harry Scanes and Danielle Phillips to Sydney where, along with some 150 other student leaders, we attended the Student Leadership Program conducted by the NSW Parliament and Government House. The day consisted of a Q&A session with a number of politicians including a meeting with local member, Geoff Provest.

Students heard what it was that drew these members into public life. There were opportunities to discuss issues relating to leadership and the qualities required of leaders. Students were able to observe both houses of the NSW Parliament in sitting, where the discussions were on heritage preservation, sexism and ageism issues.

After lunch the group moved to Government House overlooking Sydney Harbour. His Excellency General The Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Ret’d) outlined his role as NSW Governor and directed a vigorous Q&A session on leadership qualities, styles and the role of mentors. This was followed by afternoon tea on the veranda. A number of talented students took up the invitation to play the ballroom’s oversized grand piano and test the excellent acoustics, numbers included “Chopsticks” and other classics. It was uplifting to be in the company of two outstanding young people who presented and conducted themselves with a level of maturity and enthusiasm their families, and we as a school, can be proud of.

TRHS operates under the school behavioural policy/guidelines and the DEC’s suspension policy.

There will be cases of unacceptable behaviour where it will be in the best interests of the school community and/or the student involved, for the student to be removed from the school for a period of time.

Suspension is not intended as a punishment. It is only one strategy for managing inappropriate behaviour within a school’s student welfare and discipline policies. It is most effective when it highlights the parents’ responsibility for taking an active role, in partnership with the school, to modify the inappropriate behaviour of their child.

Whilst on suspension the student needs to reflect on their behaviour and how they will address these issues on their return to school.

TRHS has four school rules:
1. Arrive on time to class with correct equipment
2. Follow the teacher’s instructions
3. Respect others
4. Be responsible for your own actions

If followed, these allow the students to obtain a successful education in a safe and positive environment. Students need to be conversant with these rules and to be aware of the consequences when they continually demonstrate unacceptable behaviours.

Mr I Hayward
Relieving Deputy Principal

Mr B Mackney
Rel. Principal
**Importantly for Parents and Caregivers of Yr 7**

The Home School Liaison Officer will be conducting Non-attendance interviews at Tweed River High School in Term 2.

Your child will be selected for interview if there are:

- unjustified absences (including lateness)
- fractional Truancy (not attending all classes) or
- a pattern of absences (justified or unjustified)

If you child is interviewed by the Home School Liaison Officer you will be notified by letter and a copy of your child’s absences will be forwarded to you. You will be asked to respond to the letter and return it to the school. Where attendance is a matter of concern you will be asked to attend a meeting at the school.

**SRC News**

The SRC would like to thank everyone that was involved in the biggest morning tea, and the State of origin game. It was a great day and everyone was very supportive of a great cause.

**KYDD Food at the Canteen**

**Term 2**

**Week 9**

- Monday: Wedges with salsa, sour cream & cheese - $3.50
- Tuesday: Lasagne - $4.00
- Wednesday: Meal Deal - a burger & a juice poppa - $5.00
- Thursday: Beef or bean burritos with rice, salsa, & cheese
- Friday: Indian chicken, rice and dahl or vego - $4.50

**Week 10**

- Monday: Pasta carbonara or vego - $4.00
- Tuesday: Butter chicken with rice - $4.50
- Wednesday: Meal deal - a focaccia and a paddle pop - $5.00
- Thursday: Check canteen for end of term specials
- Friday: all toasted sandwiches - $2.00
LOCAL STUDENTS STANDING FOR GLOBAL EQUALITY

(From left to right: Lucas, Zoe, Mr Buchanan and Liam supporting the 40 Hour Famine)

On the 28th May 2015, Tweed River High School joined over 4000 students from 650 schools nationally to take part in the World Vision Youth Conference. Three of our leaders participated in the conference, which was designed to empower young people to understand the global issues of poverty and injustice, and empower them to take a stand and support World Vision through the 40 hour famine.

“Where you are born should not determine your destiny”

Liam, Zoe and Lucas were able to meet and listen to Australia’s 2015 Youth Ambassadors – Clea Denham and Nicola Greatbatch – recount their emotional experience of working in areas such as Timor-Leste and Vietnam to fight for quality healthcare and education for all. Their inspiring stories made it clear to our students that they could use their voice and encourage our community to help.

Zoe Boxsell, our school Vice-Captain, was asked to speak at the conference about how she will use the experience to make a difference. “We are going to motivate people to participate in this year’s 40 Hour Famine to fight poverty”.

You can find out more information and register your support at http://www.40hourfamine.com.au

Mr L. Buchanan
WEP Student Exchange – Learn and Discover the World!

WEP Australia is a not-for-profit student exchange organisation registered with the Education Departments in NSW, QLD and VIC. Applications for short and long-term programs commencing from November 2015 onward are open now. Students can choose from over 25 countries to live with a volunteer WEP host family and attend an overseas high school for a summer, semester or year. To request program information for your family:

visit www.wep.org.au,
email info@wep.org.au or
call 1300 884 733.
Tweed River High School Uniform

Dear Parents and Carers

As you may be aware, there has been a group of staff and parents working on changes to the school uniform over the past 12-18 months.

The brief has been to develop a uniform which meets the following criteria:

- Distinctive – providing a point of difference in the community which identifies TRHS as modern and forward thinking.
- Contemporary styling appropriate to age and body shape
- Providing a clear distinction between junior and senior students

We are close to making a final decision on where the uniform will head for the next 4-5 years.

The options being presented are in response to a survey taken by P&C, staff and SRC representatives. **Now it's your turn.**

There are two final options. Please take this opportunity to look at the two options presented and vote for your preference. There will be one polo chosen according to preferences.

The cost of the new polo will remain at $30.00 each

You will receive a text shortly which you can reply to with your vote. Thank you for your input – it is appreciated.

TRHS
Staff and P&C
ONE polo will be chosen for the junior school depending on YOUR votes.

The chosen polo can be worn with
Boys/Girls seagull shorts - girls skirt - TRHS trackpants or tailored black pants

VOTE GREEN

OR

VOTE WHITE
Brainstorm productions presented CYBERIA to Year 9 students

Brainstorm Productions performance of Cyberia highlights some of the complex issues surrounding the misuse of technology and the damage caused by cyber bullying.

The play is designed to be a springboard for discussion about what constitutes cyber bullying, the effects of too much screen time and violent video games, Internet safety, digital citizenship and protecting our on-line reputation.

The performance and follow up activities compliment TRHS anti-bulling programs.

Questions students may have....?

*What can you do if you are the person who’s been cyber-bullied?*

*Why do you think some people spend so much time playing on-line games?*

*Most kids know a great deal about technology.... So why do they still make such poor decision on-line?*

*What actions can occur on –line that may lead to further issues or problems?*

‘BEWARE’

Got ‘scammed’ buying something on-line!

Violent computer games can make you feel: anxious, angry, desensitized, unable to sleep, poor decisions, stopped socializing, depressed, loss of reality.

WEB address of some helpful sites:

https://www.eheadspace.org.au/

http://www.lifeline.org.au/find-heo;/online-services

http://www.beyondblue.org.au

Bronwyn Mackney
HT WELFARE
A massive THANK YOU to Twin Towns Services Club and Tweed Heads Bowls Club for your financial support of school representative sport at Tweed River High this year. Your financial contributions to both netball and touch football trips have much very much appreciated by the staff, students and parents at the school!

**NSWCHS Open Girls Touch Football**

A huge congratulations to our 6 girls who travelled to Inverell to compete for the North Coast Open Touch Football team, including Tarryn Aiken, Olivia Attenborough-Doyle, Brodhi Avis, Emma Gearon, Zoe Nuss and Alex Foltyn. The girls played exceptionally well to make the Top 4 finals – an achievement that the North Coast team hasn’t done in 6 years! They went down to North Sydney in the semi-finals and placed 4th in the state. Tarryn Aiken was selected for the NSWCHS Open side which is an unbelievable achievement considering she is only in Year 10. Well done to the girls and all of the parents for supporting their kids. Once again Tweed River High dominates the girl’s North Coast Touch representation and we are proud to have such wonderful students representing the school. (see photos next page)

*Below is a link to a Prime News interview of one of our students - Olivia - at the event: [https://au.prime7.yahoo.com/n1/video/-/watch/28331505/chs-touch-footy/](https://au.prime7.yahoo.com/n1/video/-/watch/28331505/chs-touch-footy/)*

**NSWCHS U15 Rugby League**

Well done to Jalen Riley who travelled to Toronto, south of Newcastle, to trial for the NSWCHS U15 rugby league side in Week 6. It was an amazing achievement for Jalen to reach this level and he stated that the experience was fantastic and one where he learnt a lot about the game and what was expected to make it in the NRL. Thank you for representing the school so well this year Jalen.

**NSWCHS Open Netball**

Congratulations to Kate Marshall and Nikaila Hartley who travelled to Berkeley, near Wollongong, to compete as part of the North Coast netball team at the NSWCHS competition. The girls were the shooters in the team – GS and GA. The girls played well and the North Coast team finished up in 8th position. A great achievement to reach this stage.

**NSWCHS Open Boys Touch Football**

Good luck to the boys who are travelling to Coffs Harbour to compete for the North Coast team in the NSWCHS championships. These boys include: Jesse Curtis, Drew McCullough, Shaun Dinsey and Hayden Tolland. Mr Swaddle is coaching the side again this year and we wish them all the best for the competition!

**North Coast Cross Country**

Well done to Travis Coleman (Year 12) who competed in the North Coast Cross Country in Kempsey on the 5th June. We look forward to hearing his results next week!

**Far North Coast Athletics Carnival**

On the 19th June the Far North Coast Athletics carnival will be run at Walter Peate Oval in Kingscliff. Students who made it through should have collected a permission note from Miss Alford and must hand it back as soon as possible. Please indicate on the note whether your child will be catching the bus or travelling privately to the carnival. The cost is $5 which is to be paid to the Front Office.

**Far North Coast Open Netball Gala Day**

Good luck to the Tweed River High Open Netball knockout team who are competing in the FNC gala day on Monday 9th June at Arkinston Park. Thank you to Heidi Avis from Tweed Netball Association for helping out with umpires and opening the clubhouse on the day. We look forward to seeing the girls play!

**North Coast Gymnastics**

Good luck to Alycia Fathers who will be competing in the North Coast Gymnastics Championships in Woolgoolga on Monday 15th June. She is competing in the Artistic division and we wish her all the best.

**Tweed Valley Competition 2015**

In Term 3 the annual Tweed Valley inter-school competition will be running again during Wednesday sport time, which involves a number of schools in the Tweed area; including TRHS, Banora Point HS, Kingscliff HS, Murwillumbah HS, Wollumbin HS and Mount St Patrick’s College. In Week 6 students nominated whether they would like to be a part of the competition this year. Sports on offer are touch football, rugby league, netball, soccer, surfing, basketball, tennis, volleyball and hockey. Teams will be finalised at the start of Term 3 and the competition will start in Week 3. Please be aware that if your child has selected to compete the charge is $50 which is payable by the end of Week 4, Term 3.
Moodle Sport Choices Term 3 (Years 7-10)

During Weeks 8 and 9 students in Years 7-10 will be selecting a sport for Term 3. Please ensure you have spoken to your child about what sport they will be doing, particularly if it involves travel and/or a cost. The choices can be accessed through the school website where you will find a link to Moodle. Students use their computer username and password to sign in and all information is under the ‘SPORT’ link. If students have any questions they can see Miss Alford at school.

Yours in Sport,
Ms J Alford
Sports Organiser 2015
Chloe Ardill Year 10 with Mrs Cris James

Chloe presented with award for her exceptionally wide reading

Justine Elliott Federal Member for Richmond with Mr Phil Whitehead (Teacher-Librarian)

Supporting public education through Tweed River High School’s reading programs
Mr Geoff Provest State MLA for Tweed with Mr Phil Whitehead (Teacher-Librarian)

Supporting public education through Tweed River High School’s reading programs

Support Needed

Tweed River High School is looking to our community members who would like to support our school’s reading programs with incentive awards/prizes. We would like to reward as many of our students as possible. Across years 7, 8 & 9 we have almost 450 students currently taking part in the Premier’s Reading Challenge and the Tweed River High School Principal’s Reading Awards program. If you are a business owner and have a son or daughter attending Tweed River High School and would like to support our reading programs, either by small monetary donations or gift voucher, please contact Phil Whitehead Teacher-Librarian. (07) 5524 3007 Tweed River High School.
Mr John Davis (McDonald’s Franchise owner) with Maille Watson Year 7

McDonald’s has been a generous supporter of our students taking part in the Premier’s Reading Challenge and the Principal’s Reading Challenge over a number of years.

Students are enthusiastically participating in these programs.

Phil Whitehead
Lilas Monniot
Cris James
“Hoops 101 has developed a simple way to teach the most advanced skills to basketball players of all ages and ability. Mike’s passion for teaching and his constant positive encouragement create a very productive learning environment. Hoops 101 is going to touch the lives of players in cities all over the world.”
- Hall of Fame Coach Bob Hurley of St. Anthony HS in Jersey City, N.J.

HOOPS 101 CLINICS IN LISMORE, AUSTRALIA!!!

Mike Kelly is the president and founder of Hoops 101. He was a Division 1 college basketball coach for 7 years at Hofstra University and Fordham University in New York. Mike will be conducting Hoops 101 Player Development Clinics along with Coach Kellie Coates at Trinity Catholic College in Lismore, Australia.

Hoops 101 is an international basketball instruction company. From the very beginning, our vision has been to be the basketball company that provides players in cities all over the world with a unique program that focuses on skill improvement. Hoops 101 specializes in teaching basketball skills using advanced drills that have been carefully simplified and structured. Players of all ages and skill levels are capable of understanding and doing each of the many different drills that our program has to offer. Footwork, proper mechanics, and the detailed breakdown of movement on the basketball court give players the opportunity to learn the right way. We create a positive atmosphere where players are able to work towards improvement without worrying about making mistakes. We encourage players to get out of their "comfort zone" by trying new things.

The key is that we all learn by trial and error. We pride ourselves in helping players to realize that they are capable of more than they know.

| WHO: Open to boys and girls. Each session will be limited to 30 players |
| WHEN: There will be 2 sessions each on June 25th and 26th |
| (4:00PM - 6:00PM or 6:30PM - 8:30PM) |
| LOCATION: Trinity Catholic College in Lismore |
| PRICE: $65 per player |

FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PROGRAM, SEND AN E-MAIL TO MIKE KELLY @ mkelly@hoops101.net

Or Kellie Coates at Trinity Catholic College for bookings: kcoates@trinitylismore.nsw.edu.au

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