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 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.

Next event
P&C Xmas Dinner
28th November 2013
Paull Lesoa from Year 11 was also inspiration to her peers. She is also a wonderful mentor to younger students and an inspiration to film school events and assist his peers with a range of film and photographic support. Paull enthusiastically undertakes these activities while caring for his ill mother.

Tyson is a year 9 student who is working to achieve at school and has a positive attitude to life, overcoming a range of personal and family hardships. This includes having a prosthetic lower leg as a result of a birth defect (which hasn't stopped Tyson playing in a range of basketball competitions), the family home burning down two years ago and his brother being struck by a car and paralysed last year, resulting in his mother moving to Sydney to assist with his brother’s rehabilitation. Despite this, Tyson participates enthusiastically in a range of activities.

Liam Hodges was nominated in category 3: Celebrating our Cultural Diversity. Liam is a Year 11 student who has been involved in a range of leadership initiatives over the last two years, including Wollumbin Dreaming Aboriginal Youth Leadership and Mending Fences art and anti-graffiti project. Liam is a great mentor to other students and has also obtained a school based traineeship at McDonalds.

Grace Sleba, Liam Hodges and Raymond Hardcastle were nominated in category 4: Leading their Peers. Morgan Kingi was also nominated for this category as part of the Yanbehla Youth mentoring group.

As part of the Yanbehla group Morgan undertook a 7 month project to gain a Certificate IV in Mentoring. They organised a camp, mentored 9 young people and organised a community fundraising event.

Grace is the 2014 School Captain and has been a member of the SRC for 5 years and Events co-ordinator for 2 of these years. Grace has participated in Shave for a Cure, Movember, Biggest Morning Tea and has actively participated in school leadership camps. Grace is a dedicated student and a talented and committed sports person, who excels in Touch Football, having played at state level, captained her team and inspired younger players through coaching and refereeing of junior competitions.

Personally, I am inspired by the work of these young people. It is a privilege to work with the leaders of tomorrow. Please join me in thanking these people for making our community a better place now and in the future.

Leisa Conroy, Principal

I would like to thank the Staff and students for the warm welcome I received coming back from leave. In particular I would like to thank Mr Clayton for the work he did as relieving Deputy Principal.

Having two terms off gives you a fresh perspective on the school. Firstly I was proud to see the number of students in uniform. Uniform is always a bug bear of mine. Daily I battle with students who choose to blur the boundaries of what is acceptable. So I thought I would take this time to be proactive with parents about uniform expectations next year.

The two areas that need to be improved are footwear and shorts. Both boys and girls need to wear black enclosed (leather upper) shoes. This is a WHS requirement. The shorts that need to be worn have the school emblem. Girls are often breaking this rule with “short” shorts. This is not uniform and I am giving you ample time to purchase the appropriate shorts. We seek your support.

Parents please don’t buy $200 Nikes or any “labelled” clothing other than what is required uniform.

Lastly I would like to congratulate Raymond Hardcastle. Raymond was in Year 12 this year and was recognised for his community work in the annual Kids in Community awards. I have watched Raymond grow and mature in the 6 years he has attended Tweed River. His award is a great achievement and well deserved.

Craig Clement, Deputy Principal

ALL students in Years 7 to Year 11 will be required to attend school up until the last day of teaching, Wednesday 18th December 2013.
**TERM 4  WEEK 9A**
Monday 2 December
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Tuesday 3 December
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Wednesday 4 December
- Yr 6 Orientation Day for 2014

Thursday 5 December
- ANNUAL PRESENTATION CEREMONY – 8.40am in the SEC.

Friday 6 December
- Year 11 RRISK program – all students to attend

**TERM 4  WEEK 10B**
Monday 9 December
- Yr 9 Great Barrier Reef excursion (all week)
- Yr 10 Survival Camp (all week)

Tuesday 10 December
- Achievement Excursion

Wednesday 11 December
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Thursday 12 December
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Friday 13 December
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**TERM 4  WEEK 11A**
Monday 16 December
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Tuesday 17 December
- 

Wednesday 18 December
- Students last day of Term

Thursday 19 December
- Staff Development Day

Friday 20 December
- Staff Development Day
- End Term 4

Return to school: 2014
Tue 28 Jan – Staff only
Wed 29 Jan – Yr 7, 11 & 12
Thu 30 Jan – Yr 8, 9 & 10

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**PRINCIPAL’S QUALITY WORK AWARDS**

**Year 7**
- **English – Ms Smith**
  - Ellen DOWNEY; Deijah HALLETT-WHAREWAKA; Kyah LARCOMBE (2 PQWAs for English);
  - Jasmine MASON; Luca ORTEGA; Zeke PERKINS; Phoebe ROBSON (2 PQWAs for English);
  - Holly THORNTON

- **PDHPE – Ms Cowan**
  - William Kyle

**Year 8**
- **English – Mrs Baly**
  - Olivia ATTENBOROUGH-DOYLE; Gemma BORRA; Joshua FREEMAN; Tiana HEAP;
  - Celine OGG; Keeley PERANDIS; Lachlan PRESTAGE

- **Science – Mr Hayward**
  - Samantha JOINER

**Year 9**
- **Applied Technology – Mrs Simpson**
  - Chloe BERGQUIST (2 awards); Ebony CAMPBELL; Brittany KEARNS (2 awards);
  - Tayah LATTER; Steven LEWIS; Sierra MORABITO (2 awards); Kurt PUCKERIDGE;
  - Faith WILLIAMSON (2 awards)

- **Principal’s Office – Mrs Conroy**
  - Tyson DUROUX; Lochie GIMSON; Alex HARDCASTLE

**Year 10**
- **English – Ms Smith**
  - Lucas CATEL; Jackson CULLEN; Max McGUIRE; Chris OPFER; Joel SCHRAMM-EYRE

- **History – Mr Lambert**
  - Nick BARLOW; Zoe BOXSELL; Lucas CATEL; Taylor CHISHOLM; Travis COLEMAN;
  - Jackson CULLEN; Dylan DAVIES; Josh GEARON; Amilia GREEN; Nikaila HARTLEY;
  - Erin HICKEY; Teagan JEFFERIES; Melissa LATHAM; Max McGUIRE; Madison McRAE;
  - Joel SCHRAMM-EYRE; Danielle PHILLIPS; Liam RESTON; Harry SCANES; Isaac THIESSEN;
  - Alexander WATSON;

- **Principal’s Office – Mrs Conroy**
  - Josh GEARON

- **Textile Technology – Mrs Mackney**
  - Zoe BOXSELL; Nina GREEN; Shahn HOLLOWAY-BLACKER; Madison McRAE (2 PQWAs for Textile Technology); Jazzie PAYNE

**Year 11**
- **Business Studies – Mr Lambert**
  - Karly BARTRIM; Kaitlyn CHEHADE; Danielle DAVISON; Brodie GIMSON; Keahni HEAP;
  - Malakyla JENNINGS; Joel KELLEHER; Liam LATHAM; Mitchell LAWRENCE;
  - Thomas McNAMARA; Lucinda PETZER; Elsie RAMPLING; Andrew SCANES; Charlie
  - TOMLINSON; Daniel WILMOTT;
KYDD FOOD AT THE CANTEEN

Week 9
Monday – Potato wedges topped with salsa, sour cream & cheese  $3.50
Tuesday – Pasta bolognaise or vego  $4.00
Wednesday – Meal Deal – a kebab & a small water $5.00
Thursday – Pasta Carbonara or vego  $4.00
Friday – Fried rice topped with Chinese chicken  $4.00

Week 10
Monday – Chicken, salad & avocado kebabs, or falafels  $4.50
Tuesday – Pasta bake with bacon or vego  $4.00
Wednesday – Meal Deal – a burger and a juice poppa $5.00
Thursday – Beef or bean burritos  $4.50
Friday – Sheppards pie topped with mashed potato  $4.00

NOTES

The SRC would like to thank everyone that participated in Movember. We raised nearly $250 on the day and everyone had a
great time. Thank you to all the teachers who got involved in this month’s event. If you would still like to make a donation
please head to http://au.movember.com/ and donate to Chris Swaddle, Tweed River High School team.

Every Term the SRC organise a Teachers vs. Student game and this Term we have chosen to play Netball! So ladies, it’s now
your chance to shine! If you are interested in playing please see an SRC member. The game will be held during lunchtime on
Tuesday 3rd December. Make sure you don’t miss out!

The Dance night was a huge success and the SRC were there to sell food during the
interval to help raise money for costumes and props for Eisteddods. Congratulations
to all our fabulous dancers and to Ms Pope, Ms Blair and Mrs Marriot on all their hard work.

The SRC held a surprise farewell for our co-ordinator, Mrs Smith, who is due to have a baby in the New Year. It was a great
night and the SRC would just like to thank Mrs Smith for leading us over the last two years. We are all going to miss you so
much and would like to wish you and your husband the best of luck with your new bundle of joy.

Zoe Boxsell, SRC Publicity Officer

20 YEAR REUNION

TRHS Class of 1993

Saturday 30th November 2013 at the
Coolangatta Surf Club from 6pm (Qld).

Please spread the word to any contacts you may
have and we would love to see our Year Adviser,
Mr Jarvis, if anyone has contact with him.

To all those who had the ‘pleasure or pain’ of
teaching us throughout our time at Tweed River,
please feel free to join us to celebrate this
milestone.
Further details: Tracey Oakley (Gawler)

BANORA POINT DRIVING SCHOOL

SETTING DRIVING STANDARDS
• 1st Class Driving Instructor
• One-to-one Learner Lessons
(1hr=3hrs for 120hr quota)
• Automatic & Dual Control Manual
• Accredited RTA Age Testing Examiner
Lic No 9809
Contact Brian
5524 7682
0412 363 392
KINGSLIFF DISTRICT FOOTBALL CLUB
GC JUNIOR PREMIER LEAGUE
TRIALS FOR 2014 SQUADS
UNDER U12, U13, U14, U15 and U16

Trial One: Sunday 1st December
(all time are NSW)
U12, U13s 3pm - 4.30pm
U14, U15 & U16s 5 - 6.30pm

Trial Two: Sunday 8th December:
U12, U13s 3pm - 4.30pm
U14, U15 & U16s 5 - 6.30pm

Trial three: held in late January (date will be issued to parents/players on 8th Dec.)

Venue: Casuarina Rugby Fields, Casuarina
(due to work being done on our own field in readiness for season)
Players will be looked at in their own age appropriate groups

For further details log onto our website on www.kingscliffsoccer.com.au

Interested players must register their intention by visiting our website and completing the registration online form prior to trials.

2014 TRHS UNIFORM
Grab a BACK TO SCHOOL BARGAIN!
20% off Black School Shoes
“Spend-less Shoes”
www.spendless.com.au

• Students received a discount voucher
• Conditions apply
• Offer expires 12.01.14

Tweed Coast Driving School
Servicing the Tweed Coast
(07) 5524 5180
When students borrow textbooks through the Tweed River High School library from any faculty it is important that the steps listed below are followed to avoid any problems at the end of the loan period.

- Bring your TRHS ID (photo) card when borrowing.
- Write your name on the inside of the textbook.
- Make a note of the **BARCODE** & **TEXTBOOK NUMBER** borrowed.
- Notify your class teacher if damage to textbook occurs, or it is lost.
- When returning a textbook – RETURN ONLY TO LIBRARY not class teacher – This clears student name from Library database.
- You must return the book originally borrowed i.e. same barcode & textbook number.
- Lost or badly damaged textbooks to be reimbursed.

**Mr Geoff Spicer – Teacher-Librarian**
**Mr Phil Whitehead – Teacher-Librarian**
**Mrs Cris James - SAO**
CODY ATKINSON - TENNIS

Cody Atkinson, Year 11, has represented the North Coast at the NSWCHS Tennis Championship in Parramatta recently. Cody was selected in the Merit team as the best number 2 player at the competition.

Cody has also been competing in a number of outside school competitions and will be competing individually at the 16 and Under Australian December Showdown from the 9th - 15th December. The winner will be able to play in the Junior Australian Open in Melbourne in January. This will be a great experience for Cody and we wish him all the best here at Tweed River High School.

14 GIRLS FUTSAL NORTH COAST FINALISTS

Our 14 girl's Futsal team has won a close semi-final against Maclean High School in the North Coast Knockout competition 8-6. The Maclean team had been undefeated in the knockout competition for the past few years and also in their outside school competition, so it was a great win for the girls! The team qualified for the North Coast Final which is held in Port Macquarie this year. Unfortunately due to many of the girls having other commitments on the finals date the team will not be able to attend. However, it is a wonderful achievement to be in the top 2 teams on the North Coast. Thank you to Mr McClure for his coaching expertise, without him the teams win would not have been possible!

U15 FNC NETBALL CHAMPIONS

Our U15 Netball team competed in the FNC U15 Netball gala day at Arkinstall Park on the 14th November. The girls were outright winners on the day, demonstrating their great skill and determination to beat Southern Cross High School in the final. The girls are now playing Alstonville High School on the 28th November in the North Coast semi-final. Thank you to Heidi Moloney for her help on the day and for her organisation of the umpires. Good luck to the team and it has been a pleasure coaching the girls.

WEDNESDAY SPORT CHOICES FOR TERM 1 2014

Sport choices for Term 1 2014 will be open on the TRHS Moodle site from Monday 25th November to Friday 6th December for students to make a selection. Years 8 and 9 of 2013 will have to make a choice for Term 1. Year 7 of 2013 will be in a rotation based sporting program for Term 1 2014 and will not be required to make a choice on Moodle. There are many options available for students and I recommend students make their choices early as popular sports can fill up within the first day. I am running a new sport of mixed martial arts and self-defence.

NORTH COAST SPORTS AWARDS

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Sammy-Jo Curtis and Jacquie Soden who are both receiving North Coast Blue awards at the North Coast Sports Award Ceremony in Yamba on the 2nd December. Sammy-Jo has received her award for her Touch Football achievements in making the NSWCHS Open Girls team this year. Jacquie is receiving a Blue award for Cross Country and a Recognition award for Athletics for making the NSW team in both sports. Jacquie has also been awarded a NSWCHS Blue for captaining the NSWCHS Cross Country team this year. Congratulations to both girls for their wonderful achievements in sport in 2013.

CHINDERAH INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE – TWEED SUPER SPORTS

The Indoor Centre is starting a new softball competition and is keen on getting young people to try the sport. See the details below:

WHEN: Wednesday nights 6.30 or 7.30 games (NSW time)
WHAT: 6-a-side mixed comp. (max 3 males over 14- no minimum)
WHO: All Players must be 12 or older.
OTHER DETAILS: Can 2 have interchanges (up to 8 players per team taking part in each game) and positional rotation - so great for families and everyone gets a go at everything.
COST: $72 per team per night.

For more information call Brian Kenny at Tweed Super Sports
Mobile number: 0415436023

Yours in Sport
Ms Alford
BUY 20 OR MORE TICKETS & SAVE!

We have your end of season celebrations in the bag, why not make a group booking to enjoy Wet'n Wild Water World and get free entry from 2.30pm to Warner Bros. Movie World. For a great night out join us for a delicious three course dinner, magnificent animals, & stunning special effects at Australian Outback Spectacular. Purchase VIP passes for your family, friends and colleagues to enjoy unlimited theme park fun until 30 June 2014.

It’s the year you won’t want to miss with a gorgeous baby Polar bear coming out to play later this month. And the awesome new Storm Coaster blasting into Sea World late 2013.

Call now on 5519 6210 or email groupbookings@vrtp.com.au
Honor lived in a beautiful place.

The OTHER SIDE OF THE ISLAND

The Captain made them move, they said it was dangerous.

She didn’t fit in.

But she didn’t fit in.

Honor is worried. She tries to be like everyone else & hide her parents’ beliefs

They tell her that bad grown-ups go to land, not the moon.

Honor comes home from school one day to an empty house. Both her parents have been taken.

Refusing to believe they are on the moon, she sets out on a journey to find them.

By Brittany Merabito & Shanya Bevis
Newsletter 6

Supervising your Learner Driver (L)

Learner drivers under 25

- Must have at least 120 hours of supervised on-road driving experience, including 20 hours at night time;
- One hour of structured driving tuition by a professional driving instructor will count as 3 hours in the Learner Driver Log Book to a maximum of 10 hours counting as 30 log book hours.
- Must hold an L licence for at least 12 months.
- For L and P1 drivers mobile phone use is prohibited, even hands-free or loudspeaker.
- From 1 July will be allowed to travel up to 90km/h instead of 80km/h; and

Tips for Parents

- Safe driving takes time and practice – it is more than just operating a vehicle.
- Plan for a variety of driving experiences (e.g. different road conditions, weather conditions) and vary the time of day.
- Shorter drives can be useful early on.
- Reduce the risk of distraction (e.g. turn off mobile phones)
- Keep instructions short and clear.
- Be positive and acknowledge when your teenager does well rather than criticise.
- At the end of a drive reinforce achievements and discuss areas to work on.
- Real on-road driving experience is more beneficial than ‘advanced’ or ‘defensive’ off-road driver training.
- You and your young driver should read the Road Users Handbook (NSW road rules) and understand licence conditions.
- For helpful information, attend a free ‘Helping Learner Drivers Become Safer Drivers Workshop’ in your local area. Contact the Roads and Maritime Services (replacing the RTA) on 13 2213, visit www.rms.nsw.gov.au or visit your local Council’s website.

NEW Safer Driver Course for Young Drivers

From 1 July 2013, learner drivers who complete the Safer Drivers Course will receive a reduction of their logbook driving hours from 120 to 100.

The Safer Driver Course is a combined theoretical and practical course involving a facilitated group session discussing how to manage risks on the road and tailored in-car coaching addressing individual learning needs.

The group session will be two to three hours, and the in-car coaching will be one to two hours.

Not all learner drivers will be able to access the course immediately. The course will be progressively rolled out in NSW based on demand and provider availability.

For more information about the Safer Driver Course contact rms.nsw.gov.au

For more information about the RRISK program and risk taking visit www.rrisk.com.au
Adolescent drug and alcohol use, synthetic drugs, music festivals and the law
FREE PRESENTATION

Paul Dillon is the Director of Drug and Alcohol Research and Training Australia (DARTA) and works with young people across the country and internationally. Paul is the keynote speaker at the 2013 RRISK seminars.

In this free presentation for parents, teachers and anyone who works with young people, Paul will share information on:

**Synthetic drugs:** the latest evidence

**Music festivals:** drug trends, the law & detection strategies

**Alcohol & drug use:** latest survey of high school students revealed

**Parenting tips:** latest research

**Alcohol & cannabis:** new resources

Where: Tweed Heads Civic Centre, Bratt St Tweed Heads

Date: Thursday 5 December 2013

Time: 4.00pm—6.00pm

Bookings are essential

Please RSVP by Friday 29 November 2013

Contact reception on 1300 292 872 or 02 6670 2400
Tweed Shire Council

www.rrisk.com.au

Follow Paul Dillon and DARTA on