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PENDULUM

RESPECT, RELATIONSHIPS, ACHIEVEMENT, SAFETY AND FAIRNESS

Riverside High School

Key Dates for 2017

APRIL

- Mon 10 School Assoc AGM 7:00pm
- Tue 11 Science & Engineering State Final - Burnie
- Wed 12 State Touch Football Championships - Harley Pde
- Wed 12 Last Day of Term

MAY

- Mon 1 Term 2 Commences
- Fri 5 Grade 7 Immunisations
- Fri 5 Mountain Bike Championships
- Fri 12-Sun 21 Drama Competitions
- Wed 17 Winter Sport Commences



PRINCIPAL:	Ms N Odgers	GRADE LEADERS:
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL:	Mrs S Matkovich	7 Mr T Elliott
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL:	Mr D Hanson	8 Miss B Hall
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL (A):	Mrs R Donaldson	9 Mrs D Dave
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL (A):	Mrs A Claridge	10 Mr T Musovic
PSYCHOLOGIST:	Mrs Claire Pople (Tue & Thur)	
SOCIAL WORKER:	Mrs Laura Fitzgerald (Mon-Wed)	
CHAPLAIN:	Ms Cecily Rosol	
NURSE:	Mr Peter Jacobson (Tue-Wed)	
BUSINESS MANAGER (A):	Mrs Leonie Johnston	

From the Principal

Dear Parents and Families,

It is hard to believe that we are almost to the end of another term. What a great start to the year it has been! Our school is always a busy, dynamic and exciting place; the opportunities for student learning both within and beyond the classroom have been extensive. Well done to our students who have made the most of so many opportunities and taken up new challenges with such enthusiasm. A huge thank you to our staff who have such commitment to wanting to provide the very best learning for our students.

Our Parent Teacher Evening on Monday was extremely well attended and sends a very positive message to us about both the value our parent community place on education and the importance of schools and families working together to get the best learning outcomes and supports possible for each student. Thank you for your attendance and your support.

Following our Interim Report process it is very important that we recognise and celebrate student effort and progress. This week we have sent home 159 *Letters of Commendation* to students who have made an excellent start to their year.

A Growth Mindset is central to our learning culture; students who are receiving these letters have demonstrated a Growth Mindset approach and shown that learning is the result of effort, hard work and persistence. The number of students receiving these letters is reflective of the culture of high expectations and the value students place on their learning. Congratulations to those students who are receiving these letters; names are acknowledged in this newsletter. Well done!

It is music to my ears when students call into my office to share news about their learning or a recent achievement. Two such occasions occurred in the last week. Firstly, when students told me that our Inter-High Swimming Team had been successful in winning the Junior, Senior and Aggregate Shields at the Inter-High Carnival last Friday. There were some outstanding results from a number of individuals including those who broke records, but most importantly a fantastic team effort that allowed them, to return to school with all three shields. Well done to this group of students who represented us with pride. Secondly, a very excited group of students returned from the Regional Science and Engineering Challenge held at UTAS on Monday and were able to share that they had a great day and had been the winning school. Congratulations to the 32 Grade 9 and 10 students involved. The ability to work as a team, to be persistent and open to new challenges contributed significantly to their learning and their success. Our very best wishes to the team who will now be participating in the State Final in Burnie on Tuesday.

Farewell Mrs Wade

Our Canteen Manager, Mrs Gail Wade, recently made the decision to retire. Mrs Wade has worked in this role for 25 years and has been a highly valued member of the Riverside High School community. During this time Mrs Wade has been able to get to know thousands of students and work alongside hundreds of volunteers who have assisted her in the Canteen. On behalf of our school community I would like to sincerely thank Mrs Wade for her collegiality, care of our students and wonderful service to the school. We wish Mrs Wade a healthy and happy retirement.



School Association AGM

A reminder that the School Association AGM is on Monday 10th April. The School Association is a very important voice for parents and a way of being informed about the work of the school alongside contributing to some important decision making processes. We value your input and involvement. At the moment we have some vacancies on the Association and we do need some new faces. If you are interested and able to attend a couple of meetings each term, I would strongly encourage you to complete the nomination form which is available on our School App or can be collected from the Office. The meeting will be held at 7:00pm in the Textiles room. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting. Please feel free to contact me if you have further queries.

NAPLAN Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy

NAPLAN commenced in Australian schools in 2008. Each year, all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 participate in common national tests which assess:

- Reading
- Writing
- Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation)
- Numeracy

The scheduled dates for the tests in 2017 are Tuesday 9 May, Wednesday 10 May and Thursday 11 May.

The benefits of participating in NAPLAN testing:

- NAPLAN tests the skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life such as reading, writing, spelling, grammar and numeracy.
- NAPLAN results provide valuable information on how your child is progressing against national minimum standards of literacy and numeracy skills expected for each year level.
- The NAPLAN tests provide you as parents with an individual report that shows your child's results and a comparison of your child's performance against all other Australian students in their year level.
- Teachers use the NAPLAN results to determine your child's areas of strength and where future focus is required and how best to provide support or extension activities.
- Teachers use the online NAPLAN Toolkit to analyse your child's results. The Toolkit provides detailed information right down to the individual question with links to teaching strategies.
- We use NAPLAN results to inform school planning and to allocate resources and support including informing decisions around targeted programs and initiatives for individuals and groups.

The best way you can assist your child is by helping them to feel comfortable about the nature and purpose of the tests, and assure them that the tests will give them an opportunity to show what they have learned in class. For more information about the national tests, please visit the national NAPLAN website at: <http://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/naplan.html>

In Closing

A reminder that Term 1 concludes on Wednesday 12th April. On the final day of term we will be having a whole school assembly which will include an ANZAC Service as part of the program. Thursday 13th April is a Student Free Day. Riverside High School will be hosting Moderation Day for secondary teachers from the North. This will bring together approximately 300 teachers and 15 schools, so is a great opportunity for teachers to work together with colleagues from other schools, to share their practice and learn from each other. It is also a wonderful opportunity for us to showcase our school; we are very appreciative of the large number of Grade 9 students who will be at school assisting us on this day with a range of tasks including assistance with car parking, welcoming and guiding our visitors and helping with morning tea. Our students are great ambassadors for our school.

There are usually some staffing changes at the end of a school term; we are fortunate to have only minimal changes for Term 2. Firstly, I would like to extend our thanks to Paul Hudson who has been teaching on a part time load for this term. In farewelling Mr Hudson, I would like to pass on our appreciation for his contribution to student learning over the last five terms. I am sure we will see Mr Hudson back in the school at some stage soon.

We are also farewelling Chloe Honeychurch who has made a valuable contribution as part of our Admin Team this term, including doing an excellent job with First Aid. Alison Lewis will be returning to her role in the Admin Team next term.

Secondly, a special thankyou to Rachael Donaldson who has been working in the role of Acting Assistant Principal this term. Rachael has contributed to a range of school priorities along with providing fantastic support to the Grade 9 Team. Thanks also to Rohan Pooley who has had an Acting AST role this term and has made a significant contribution in leading our work on the Australian Curriculum. Thank you both for your work and for being so willing to take on new challenges.

Next term, Carolyn Cox will be returning from her long service leave. Karen Bodell will be taking long service leave in Term 2 and we wish her well for this time.

A large number of students including our Prefects will be representing the school at the ANZAC Parade and services on 25th April. We are also very proud to have two of our students speaking at services on the day. Tom Moreton will be speaking at the Dawn Service and Jessica Faulkner will be a speaker at the 11:00am service. We know that they will make a thoughtful contribution on this important day.

Please be aware that this is our final newsletter for the term. I would like to wish our staff, students and families a happy Easter and best wishes for a relaxing and enjoyable holiday. We look forward to seeing everyone return for Term 2 on Monday 1st May.

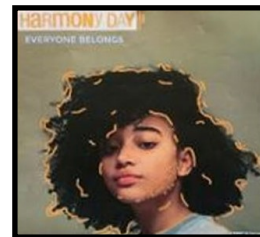
Ms Natalie Odgers

Art and Photo Competition

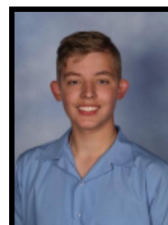
To celebrate the idea of harmony at Riverside High School the Arts Prefects offered students the opportunity to participate in an open Art and Photo Competition- the only rule being that it had to symbolise the idea of "Harmony". Harmony, as a term, can recognise many aspects of life: from understanding and establishing a harmony of all cultures and backgrounds, to getting back in touch with your groups-through friends and/or family - everyone can identify with harmony in their own special way.

Through the week we received marvellous entries which represented many facets of harmony. From the many entries two winners were selected.

The winner of the Art Competition is Ella Chia from Grade 9 with her visual art piece. Ella's winning artwork is shown beside her photo.



The winner of the Harmony photographic competition is Cameron Maggs from 8F whose school photo is also beside his entry.



Congratulations to the talented winners of the competition, who will have their winning pieces displayed in the Student Information Centre. We will be providing students with many exciting events and activities in the future.

Charlotte Edwards & Kade Renshaw
Arts Prefects

Letters of Commendation Term 1 2017

Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10
Fawz Ahmed	Caleb Arines	Gabi Beament	Andrew Biggs
Violet Aliano	Neve Atkins	Kye Bottle	Josie Coleman
Olivia Arriagada-Huyskens	Mikayla Bowden	Lucy Bransden	Sienna Cook
Renya Atkins	Madison Brazendale	Greta Brown	Ella Deans
Lavinia Barrett	Luke Chadwick	Miah Calverley	Charlotte Edwards
Cecilia Bence	Maddy Coleman	Rheanna Charlton	Arsham Emad
Kate Brown	Meg Connolly	Sam Clifford	Rose Emmett
Maisie Burns	Sanden Cook	Erin Clive	Jessica Faulkner
Indi Chodan-Clarke	Chloe Deans	Bella Crerar	Monique Faulkner
Mia Chodan-Clarke	Sejr Deans	Bethany Du Vergier	Ben Finau
Oliver Christmas	Daniella Dixon	Courtnee Fairley	Taylor Fogg
Shreehari Eri	Madison Evans	Izzy Flint	Megan Giles
Hannah Flanagan	Madeleine Faulkner	Charlotte Gregory	Isabella Hay
Ella Gretschmann	Cooper Gourlay	Jacob Horton	Bella Heritage
Maya Gurudoss	Ella Griffin	Ashleigh Hugo	Jarrold Hill
Amelia Hanson	Connor Hannes	Jacob Jamieson	Piper Hill
Skye Harper	Joshua Hannes	Bridget Kerrison	Lachlan Hindrum
Pedro Howe	Alexandria Hansen	Laura Kidd	Chiara Hull
Cameron Howie	Nathan Hill	Paige Maynard	Mabel Hull
Will Hugo	Phoebe Ketchell	Toby McKnight	Esther Jesson
Aponi Hulse	Emmerson Kidd	Jessica Murphy	Oliver Ketchell
Abby Jones	Cameron Maggs	Isaac O'sign	Ellie Lane
Jacob Leslie	Ella Matson	Rahni Pascoe	Emily Loneragan
Anya Lokai	Ella McKercher-Mace	Alex Philpott	Jasvin Malhotra
Ginger Morris	Isabella McRobbie	Georgia Poxon	Teneka Maynard
Holli Niland	Zara Millwood	Gracie Roman	Tom Meyer
Emily Oakley	Nihad Mohamed	Sascha Sigtenhorst	Ashutosh Mohan
Joseph O'Sign	Devesh Mohan	Connor Singline	Bianca Mostyn
Catherine Owens	Aarthi Parthiban	Solomon Stevenson	Hayley Neville
Angus Purtell	Megan Potter	Emily Taylor	Mackenzie O'Byrne
Sophie Roberts	Amy Radford	Duong Tran	Joel Parkinson
Jorja Sigtenhorst	Mason Riley-Clark	Olivia Wenn	Oscar Purtell
Gabrielle Smalldon	Lakshana Sankaramoorthy	Sophie Winter	Kade Renshaw
Hannah Sutherland	Jessica Shaw	Fabian Wise	Georgia Ricketts
Jasmine Waddle	Annabel van der Heide		Anna Roberts
Adam Walker	Megan Van Der Ploeg		Shontae Salzman
Emma Woods	Gabriel Walton-Clear		Mia Schuemaker
	Chelsea Wing		Ireland-Skye Smith
	Thomas Winter		Madeleine Stingel
			Olivia Street
			Brianna Sturzaker
			Belinda Turmine
			Paige Van Veen
			Ruby Waddle
			Montana Wakeford
			Makenzie White
			Georgia Wing
			Isobelle Young
			Jacquilyn Zealley

DEBATING 2017

It's that time of year again! Our fabulous debating students have started their competition of battling it out with their words and wits against other high schools involved in the Northern Roster. This takes place at Newstead College from 5:30pm onwards for the prepared debates and 6:30pm for the impromptu. Contact Ms Howell if you would like more information about being in the audience for a great night of entertainment.

Riverside High has five teams this year, one in the Grade 10 Junior A section and four in the Junior B section with students from Grade 7 through to Grade 9.

Each week there will be a debating report prepared by one of the teams, last week's report is by the Grade 8 team Junior B4 consisting of Holly Donnelly, Chloe Deans, Annabel van der Heide, Ella Griffin, Alexandria Hansen, Isabella McRobbie and Monique Salzman. This week's report is by the Grade 10 Junior A team consisting of Anastasia Stepanovic, Mia Jupp, Arsham Emad, Ashutosh Mohan, Maddison Holder, Anna Roberts, Bailey Hume, Oscar Purtell, Kade Renshaw and Zeke Lanham.

Ms Kelly Howell
Debating and Public Speaking Coordinator

Debating Report 1: Junior B4 Team

The Northern High School's Debating Junior Roster has begun. On Tuesday night we all arrived at Newstead College with our prepared speeches. Our topic was *'That charity begins at home'* and every Riverside team competing was the affirmative side for this debate. For most of our team, except for Holly, this is our first year of debating. We were lucky enough to take out a win on Tuesday, which was a great start to the season for our team. Next week we will be debating the topic *'There should be a sugar tax'*. We look forward to the rest of the debating season ahead of us and can't wait to try to win again! A huge thank you to Ms Howell for her help and support to all debating members. It wouldn't be possible without her!

By Holly Donnelly



Debate Report 2: Junior A Team

The Junior A Grade 10 Debating Team comprised of Anastasia Stepanovic, Mia Jupp, Arsham Emad, Ashutosh Mohan, Maddison Holder, Anna Roberts, Bailey Hume, Oscar Purtell, Kade Renshaw and Zeke Lanham. Then almost half of the team were off on the Antipodeans trip, taking with them all but one of our experienced debaters, leaving only Kade to help coach the new recruits. We had a difficult first debate, as we debated the topic *'Charity Begins At Home'*. This was debated by Arsham, Anastasia and Zeke and was incredibly close, with both affirmative and negative sides bringing up excellent points but in the end Prospect High School won. Spirits were still high though, this debate left us with valuable experience for the debates to come.

This week's debate was *'There should be a sugar tax'*, and our team was assigned the negative case. This week's debaters were Tosh, Mia and Kade. The team debated well, bringing out incredibly strong points and even stronger (if accidental) rebuttals. So strong in fact, that we managed to pull off our first (of many to come) victories. We hope that this inspires many more young students to get into debating, as it really is such an awesome opportunity, no debate about it.

Kade Renshaw and Zeke Lanham



SUBJECT IN FOCUS - HISTORY

Student Voices

8B have been working on an integrated Vikings unit in Humanities. They are reading the text 'They Came on Viking Ships' by Jackie French and are learning many interesting facts through exploring and investigating who the Vikings actually were.

"I am finding it interesting learning about the Viking culture and different weaponry." Dkai 8B

"Learning about the different Viking Gods has been interesting." Nathan 8B

"The novel is intriguing" Amity 8B

"I like the characters in the story, they relate back to famous Vikings" Ryan 8B

I think... that my fate is in the ocean's hands.

I see... big mountainous waves crashing before me.

I hear... the thundering yells of Vikings and the crashing waves smashing the boat.

I feel... rope burning my wrists as I stand here, helplessly tied to this mast.

I wonder... if I will survive and make it to Greenland.

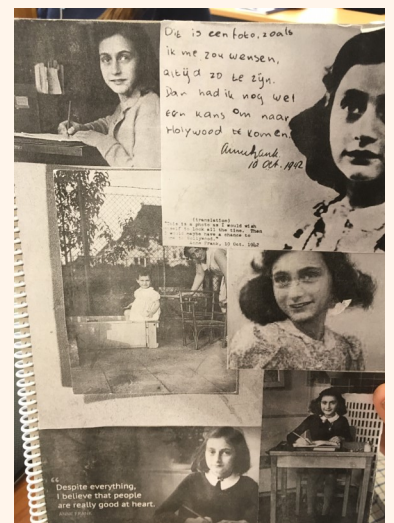
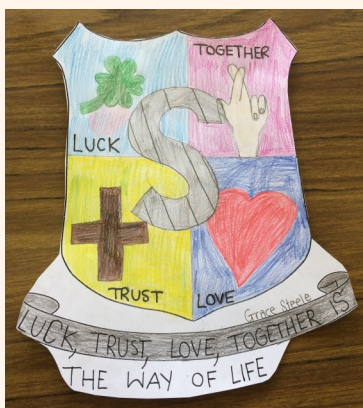
By Ryan Stuart 8B

In Mrs Bessell's Grade 8 History class we have been learning and understanding the way feudalism worked in Medieval Europe and how it affected the people living in medieval times. It was an unfair system of government in which the people were separated into a system of different class groups. The peasant's revolt in 1381CE was one factor that led to the decline of the feudal system.

Grace Lambert-Steele and Meg Connolly 8C

History is important because it can stop us from making the same mistakes again. I love learning more about what happened to people one hundred or a thousand years ago, and comparing how they lived to our lives now. I also love picturing what it would be like to live in the past. We have recently completed an overview of different people from Medieval times, not just castles and knights but people like the Mongols, Aztecs and the Ottoman Empire. We had freedom to select which one to research.

Gabriel Walton-Clear 8D



Competitions

Simpson Prize 2018

The Simpson Prize is a National Competition for Year 9 and 10 students that focuses on the significance of Anzac Day and what it means to them. 2018 Essay Question:

Some historians have described 1917 as "the worst year of the Great War" for Australia and Australians. To what extent is this assessment accurate?

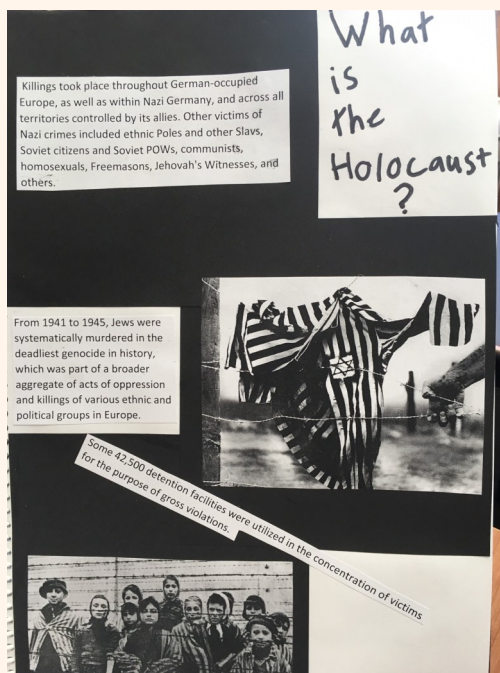
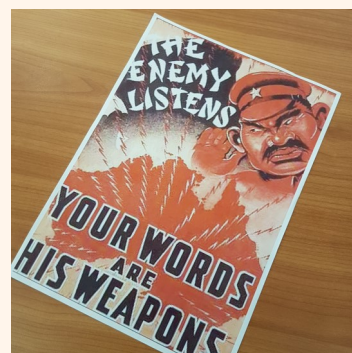
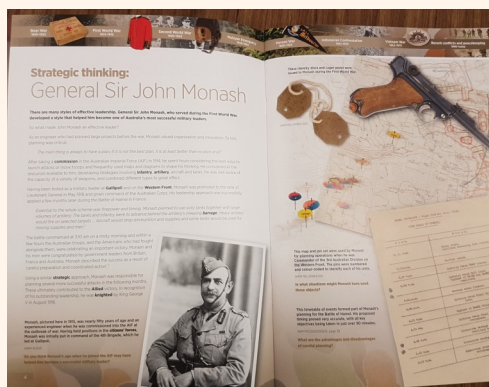
Entries close 10th November 2017. See your History teacher or Mr McDougall for more information.



Frank MacDonald Memorial Prize:

The Frank MacDonald Memorial Prize is a competition open to all students undertaking Year 9 in government and non-government schools in Tasmania, as well as home-schooled students. The prize recognises Tasmania's last World War I Veteran, Mr Frank MacDonald MM who died on 23 August 2003 at the age of 107. Prize winning students travel to Europe to visit significant World War I landmarks and battlefields.

There will be more information to come about this year's question, stay tuned for updates and key dates.



SCIENCE & ENGINEERING CHALLENGE



On Monday April 3, 32 students travelled to UTAS to compete in the regional Science and Engineering Challenge. The students separated into 8 teams, some competed in 2 unique activities over the day and others worked for a full day to design and build a product to meet a specific engineering challenge.

Competition was extremely close with only 3 points separating Riverside and St Patricks College at key point updates during the day. The major finale was the bridge challenge with all schools watching each team test their bridge over an open span to see what weight they could hold until they collapsed. Despite not winning this challenge, the students were very competitive and their score combined with several of the afternoon activities was sufficient to provide the school with an outstanding win for the day.

The following students are to be congratulated for their fantastic attitude towards all tasks and in the responsible and mature manner in which they interacted as a team, as well as the friendly, respectful interactions with all of the judges and volunteers co-ordinating the day.

Fabian Wise, Ryan Holloway, Mackenzie O'Byrne, Ella Deans, Kane Costello, Toby McKnight, Bethany Du Vergier, Jamie Ellis, Joshua Walker-Davis, Sean Pollington, Daniel Shaw, Joseph Walker, Jasvin Malhotra, Gavin Johnstone, Brock Young, Lewis Gregson, Reagan Coates, Michayla Staines, Jarrod Hill, Chiara Hull, Tom Meyer, Callum MacFarlane, Josh Hindrum, Ronan Naidoo, Callum Blackberry, Solomon Stevenson, Noah Murray, Dawson Faulkner, Arsham Emad, Harrison Gregg, Ashutosh Mohan, Michael Goss

On Tuesday, April 11, these students will bus to Burnie at 6:00am to compete against all other regional winners to see who can take out the title of State Champion, and if successful, then go on to represent Tasmania in the National Finals later in the year.





INTER-HIGH SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The annual Inter-High Swimming Carnival has always been a platform for elite swimmers in the North of our State. Many have competed in National junior events, competing against the best swimmers in their age group in Australia. Throughout the day it was clear that many of the teachers and students from other schools were potentially witnessing Tasmania's next great swimmers. Will Bonney, Emily Lonergan and Greta Brown went on a record breaking spree, with some records being held for well over 15 years. These three athletes absolutely dominated their events and each time they raced, the entire RHS team were glued to the clock and cheering them on to break yet another record.



However, shields are not won by 2 or 3 individuals. The depth of the swimming team was on show, as the team won the first 9 out of 11 events and continued in this manner. The message at the start of the day was around 'effort'. Giving your best and trying your hardest to overtake that person who may be in front of you, or holding on if you are out in first position. This was demonstrated in every event, with participants consistently finishing in the top 3, which helped in both divisions to hold onto an unattainable lead.

Congratulations to all members of the 2017 Riverside High School team on a successful carnival. The entire school community is exceptionally proud of your efforts and your achievements.



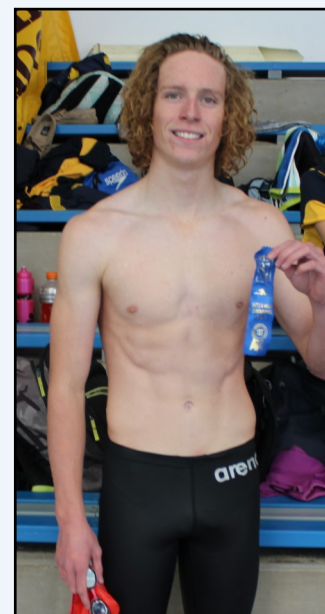
JUNIOR SHIELD	SENIOR SHIELD	AGGREGATE SHIELD
RIVERSIDE - 388	RIVERSIDE - 442	RIVERSIDE - 830
EXETER - 336	SCOTTSDALE - 375	SCOTTSDALE - 684
SCOTTSDALE - 309	KINGS MEADOWS - 374	KINGS MEADOWS - 678
KINGS MEADOWS - 304	QUEECHY - 373	EXETER - 662
QUEECHY - 285	EXETER - 326	QUEECHY - 658
ST MARYS - 237	ST MARYS - 309	ST MARYS - 546

RECORDS

Will Bonney – 50 Fly – 28.77, 50 Free – 26.39, 50 Br -32.22, 100 Op Br – 1.13.01

Emily Lonergan – 50 Fly – 33.67, 50 Br – 36.19, 100 Op Br – 1.20.79

Greta Brown – 50 Free -30.00, 100 Free – 1.05.87



GROWTH MINDSET PRESENTATIONS



"RIVERSIDE RIPPERS"

We value: **RESPECT, RELATIONSHIPS, ACHIEVEMENT, SAFETY and FAIRNESS**

Our learning culture is underpinned by a **Growth Mindset**

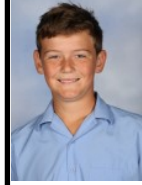
GRADE 7

Back Row: Luke Davenport 7F, Jacob Leslie 7F, Zac McGill 7C

Front Row: Floyd Jones 7E, Leo Cole 7E, Jesse Apted 7C(Absent)



These boys have done an outstanding job making our school environment more attractive. The boys spent a brief time planting out a bed between the Science block and a carpark. The grade will be responsible for keeping this area growing. Thank you also to our groundsman Darren Dalton for his work with these boys.



Luke Braithwaite 7C: Luke has impressed the Grade Leadership team with his willingness to stand up for what is right and take the lead. He demonstrates the values of fairness and respect, and is proving to be someone that can be relied upon to do the right thing. Well done Luke, a very impressive term at high school.

GRADE 8



Marchella Moroni 8G: Marchella is being recognised as a Riverside Ripper this week for the dedication and hard work she shows towards her studies, particularly Mathematics. She perseveres with her work, is willing to take on challenges and responds well to feedback. Marchella is working hard to prosper a Growth Mindset towards her own learning and is also supportive of others' efforts and success. Well done Marchella.



Phoebe Ketchell 8C: We would like to nominate Phoebe as a Riverside Ripper this week, to acknowledge the positive and enthusiastic manner in which she approaches all her subjects. She constantly pushes herself to achieve her best work and using a Growth Mindset when approaching new difficult tasks. Phoebe is an excellent role model in and out of class, always willing to help and apply herself. Well done!

GRADE 9



Sam Clifford 9B & Alyson Wood 9B

Both these students have demonstrated outstanding commitment to athletics as their chosen field of endeavour and are setting a fine example of what dedication and hard work can achieve. They train hard, are



focussed on their short and long term goals and strive for success at all times. Recently Sam and Alyson attended the National Athletics Championships in Sydney and were both successful in their own way. Sam was first place getter in the 3000 metres and is the Under 16 National Champion. He also placed second in the 1500 metres. Alyson achieved several personal best times in the 200m, the 800m and shotput and she was second in the 800m leg of the Under 16 Heptathlon. Well done to Sam and Alyson.



James Simpson 9E: James is another student who is also highly committed to his sporting life and has recently excelled in cricket. He went to Brisbane and the Sunshine Coast to represent Tasmania in the Under 15 Male Cricket Championships.

Unfortunately the Tasmanian team came home without a win. However, the experience of participating at this high level is giving James a chance to play again next year. James survived Cyclone Debbie which was very scary and he helped clean out the pool at the place where he was staying. Well done to James for showing dedication and empathy for others.

GRADE 10



Kyle Cos 10C: Kyle is one of this week's recipients of a Riverside Ripper as he embodies the five RHS values to the highest degree. He is an extremely polite, conscientious and mature young man. As a new student to RHS Kyle has immersed himself fully in school life. He has adopted the principles of a Growth Mindset and is working hard to capture the essence of this in a poster. Well done Kyle on an outstanding beginning to Grade 10 at RHS!



Samantha Devonshire 10C: Samantha is a very deserving recipient of this week's Ripper having made a great start to her Grade 10 year. She displays a Growth Mindset in her positive attitude towards new concepts and is always willing to have a go. Samantha consistently demonstrates her use and understanding of our five School Values in particular with her relationships with both staff and peers. She is always cheerful in her approach and willing to go the extra mile when someone is in need of some help. Congratulations Samantha, well done!

WEST TAMAR COUNCIL TERM 1 SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

West Tamar Council has just released its school holiday program for the upcoming term 1 holidays. Activities available this holiday period include: Village Cinemas (Lego Batman Movie), Launceston Lanes Ten Pin Bowling, Zone 3 Laser and Tassie Tiger Mini Golf. All activities are subsidised by Council, with free transport available for West Tamar resi-

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6 Word Story Competition

The winners for the Six Word Story Competition were announced by our Academic Endeavour Prefects, Georgia Wing and Jacqui Zealley, during our last whole school assembly on Thursday 23rd March. Georgia and Jacqui are currently away on the annual Antipodeans trip but are very proud of the stories created for the competition.

To enter this competition, you had to write your own story using only six words! This competition ran for several weeks and was successful, with lots of amazing entries.

The winners:

Junior School: 'The first pancake: always a dud.' - Nihad Mohammed 8F.

Senior School: 'Her bruises heal, the memories don't.' - Jordan Slater-Wolford 9B.

Congratulations Nihad and Jordan. Thank you to everyone who actively participated in this activity.

SPORT PAYMENTS

Just a reminder of the following due dates for payments

State Schools Touch Football Championships	\$40 Now Overdue
Grade 7 & 8 Saturday Morning Netball	\$50 Now Overdue
Grade 9 & 10 NHSSA Sport (Wednesday Afternoon)	\$100 by Thursday, 13 April
All Schools Mountain Bike Championships	\$30 by Monday, 1st May

ROBOTICS WORKSHOP

For Grade 4 and up

In after school sessions you will:

Build and program LEGO robots

Program the robots to obey your commands

Improve the robots and programs through experimentation

Work towards entering the Robocup Rescue and Junior Soccer competition

(Robocup Junior in Launceston August 19)

Suits able and focused Grade 4 and up

*Weekly, commencing Monday 1st May 2017
3:30 to 5:30pm*

*West Launceston Primary School
Basin Road West Launceston*

Cost: \$100 for 10 weekly Sessions

8 in Term 2 - Weeks 1 to 8 & in Term 3 - Weeks 1 and 2

*Sessions will be facilitated by William Briginshaw,
Department of Education teacher*

*Parents welcome to stay and participate
Participants will be working in pairs*

*To register email William Briginshaw at
wbriginshaw@gmail.com*

or for more information ring 0429 318 770

*Session may be cancelled if insufficient
enrolments are received*



Easter Saturday CHILDREN'S AND FAMILY FUN FESTIVAL

Celebrate Easter Just-In-Time and join us for games galore, crafts, music, balloon sculpting and free sausages kindly provided by the City Mission outreach team!

The Launceston Alive Children's and Family Fun Festival is for everyone and it's FREE! So bring the whole family, the grandparents, the neighbours and don't forget to bring friends from school for a day of fun, joy and laughter at the lawn in front of the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery.

When: Saturday 15 April, 11:00am-3:00pm

Where: QVMAG lawn

Cost: Free!

For more info on Launceston Alive,
visit launceston.org.au



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*free
sausage
sizzle!*



SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

The AGM for our School Association will be held on April 10th at 7:00pm. A reminder that we are looking for new members. The nomination form is available on our School App.



To keep up to date with all the sport, carnivals and HPE related information at Riverside High School, "like" and follow us on Facebook. Look for the Riverside HS Sport and PE page.

WANTED

YOUR HELP IN OUR SCHOOL CANTEEN
Mums, Dads & Grandparents all welcome.

ONCE A MONTH - 10AM to 2:00PM

Lunch provided

Volunteers require Working with Vulnerable People Registration - We can assist with this registration



Please phone Gail Wade on 0407 811 828

TERM 1 HOLIDAY DATES: ADJUSTMENT TO TERM 1 HOLIDAY DATES

There is an error in the School Student Planner regarding our Term 1 school holiday break. It should read:

February 8 - April 12 2017
Term 2 resumes Monday May 1, 2017

WEEK 8	EXCURSIONS
11 April, Tuesday	Science & Engineering Challenge, Burnie (RG) 6:00am-5:30pm
12 April, Wednesday	State Schools Touch Football Tournament, Harley Parade, Prospect 9:00am-2:30pm

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