PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

This week the Rivers Secondary College Year 10 information evening was held at the Lismore Workers Club. Approximately 300 people from Kadina High, Lismore High and Richmond River High Schools were in attendance. Kaleesha Rhodes in Year 12 opened the evening with an Acknowledgement of Country.

At Kadina High School we are committed to trying to present as many opportunities for students to study subjects they choose. This is why the school has become an integral part of The Rivers Secondary College. This initiative is a proactive way of sharing curriculum, sporting, cultural and creative and performing arts activities across several schools campuses-namely Kadina High School, Lismore High School and Richmond River High School. As a part of the Building our Capacity initiative in Lismore, over the past 18 months we have been asking, staff, students and community members how we can move forward with Public Education in the greater Lismore area. Three key messages came across loud and clear:

- It is about **Equity** - allowing students from all walks of life opportunities to excel at their personal best, be it academic, sporting, in creative and performing arts or in other areas of their school life.
- Secondly it is about **Quality** - ensuring students have access to quality teachers, and experiences, quality pastoral care and support
- And thirdly about **Success** - ensuring students across our campuses achieve success in all walks of school life.

Students in Stage Six, more commonly known as Years 11 and 12 can choose many pathways to complete their studies and gain accreditation for their studies. This may mean completing the Higher School Certificate at their local school, but also through other pathways.

Jessica Kent, Kadina High School, School Captain spoke of her experiences as a student. Jessica is currently studying her HSC at Kadina High School with the intention of gaining an ATAR to pursue tertiary studies in 2015. Tahlia Brice, another student of Kadina spoke of her experiences studying at Kadina High and also studying at TAFE on Wednesdays to work towards Nursing.

Students from Lismore High School and Richmond River High School also spoke of their pathways including studying at Southern Cross University, and School Based Apprenticeships and traineeships as options of study.

Year 10 students will now start the process of subject selection as they choose a pathway for 2015. Parents will be invited to meet members of the school executive on Monday June 16th if they would like to ask questions about specific subjects in preparation of their student undertaking their HSC studies.

**Ian Davies**
Principal
The Leos changeover was held at the East Lismore Bowls Club. In attendance were all the Rivers College High Schools. Kadina was applauded as being the first Leos Club in the region. Isabelle Tremayne was thanked for her service as Club President and handed the over the presidency to Millie Burnett. Will Maina was named as new Club Treasurer and Beatrice Hogan, our club secretary, was named recipient of the Jack Mason Award for her acts of service. With such a great team our endeavours during 2014 are sure to be successful.

Katie Watts, LEOs Coordinator

The Kadina Open Girls Hockey team has been involved in two comprehensive wins in the past month in the New South Wales Combined High Schools Knockout. The team was lucky enough to receive the bye in Round 1 and faced Evans River K-12 School in Round 2. The game got off to a flying start with the team Captain Millie Burnett scoring off a penalty corner within five minutes of starting the game. The ball was moving end to end with Kadina holding the majority of the possession. The Evans River strikers were demonstrating speed and skill but their attempts to reach the attacking circle were stopped through some excellent defence by Zoe Cotterill. Vice Captain Hollie Clark scored with ten minutes left until half time after many penetrating runs down the right hand side of the field. Play had to be delayed for about 10 minutes as a snake had slithered toward the hockey fields. Jade Gray showed some excellent individual stick skills in the second half and was able to finally score with seven minutes left of the game. The end result was a 3 - 0 win to Kadina.

The Kadina team faced Lismore High School in Round 3, an opponent that they had not beaten in nearly eight years. The game started at a fast pace with Millie Burnett again being the first to score from a well executed penalty corner. Lismore High had a few opportunities late in the first half, but their attempts were saved by some great goalkeeping by Tahlia Brice. Millie Burnett then added another goal to her tally with five minutes left until half time making the score 2 - nil heading into the half time break. The second half was played with some great individual runs from both teams. Millie Burnett was able to score again in the second half making it a hat-trick of goals. She was able to execute a final penalty corner making the score 4 - 0 to Kadina. After a few missed scoring opportunities Lismore High was able to score off a well constructed play in the last minutes of the game. The final score was 4 - 1 with Kadina taking the win and being crowned Northern Rivers Zone Champions. The next game to be played is still to be determined and will be played in the coming weeks against the winner of the Far North Coast Zone.

Mr Brad Hassett, Teacher
On Friday, 23rd of May, all of Year 7 made the trek out to Rocky Creek Dam. With help from Christine from Dorrroughby Field Centre and Sue from Rous Water, we explored the Rocky Creek catchment area. Some highlights of the expedition included: seeing a platypus on the Platypus walk, trying to identify the calls of endangered frog species, spotting a snake, climbing all over the playground, water testing, completing the challenges and the BBQ lunch!

We would like to thank all staff for supporting this highly educational and beneficial excursion, especially Mr Bennet, Mr Flanagan and Mr Doust for coming with us.

Ms Polly Jude, Teacher
Our wonderful dancers performed the Welcoming Ceremony at the Lismore Council Chambers recently. Mayor, Jenny Dowell and the General Manager presented to the local community in support of lifting the ration of aboriginal workers for the local council.

Mr Dan Sassi, Teacher
**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**WALK THE WALK:** Raising money for Lifeline, From the Summit Gym to Crozier Oval, Saturday June 7 9am start and registration from 8am,$20 per family, $10 individual or $250 Corporate entry. See www.walkthewalk.org.au

**SEWING LESSONS:** During week 1 of the school holidays. Children will be learning how to use a sewing machine and will take home a fun project made by themselves. Sewing machines will be provided as well as the project kit. Please contact Lismore Sewing centre on 02 66213158 for more information

**DEBUTANT BALL:** Mary Vidler Bridal would like girls interested in making their debut to contact them asap to allow plans to be finalised for this years Deb Ball on 9th August at Lismore Workers Club. Dance lessons start on 2 July 2014. Contact Janelle on 6621 6724

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**SERVING COUNTRY-CENTENARY & BEYOND**

**Commonwealth Respite & Carelink Centre**

Far North Coast

Our Centre is here to support family members, friends or neighbours (carers) who provide a significant amount of help to someone who is a frail older person, has a disability, or chronic, terminal or mental illness.

The Centre is funded until June 30th 2015.

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**2014 Lismore NAIDOC WEEK EVENTS**

**Thursday, 26 June, 10am-2pm**
Lismore City Council NAIDOC Celebration Day
Featuring a Talent Showcase plus Reptile World and Old MacDonald’s Farm
Lismore Showground

**Monday, 7 July, 9am-10am**
Aboriginal NAIDOC Committee NAIDOC Flag
Raising Ceremony and Exhibition
Lismore TAFE Grounds

**Thursday, 10 July, from 5pm**
Lismore Produce Markets featuring artist Billy Smith

**FREE COMMUNITY BUS:** Northern Rivers Community Transport and Council are running a free bus to the NAIDOC Celebration Day on Thursday, 25 June. The bus will pick up at Riou Road shops at 9.30am, Shearman-Campbell Crescent at 9.35am; Lismore High School at 9.40am; Elizabeth Street, East Lismore, at 9.42am; and Heritage Park at 9.44am. The bus will also shuttle from Heritage Park to the Showground and return on the hour until the final bus leaving the Lismore Showground at 2pm. This bus will return via the same route as the morning bus.

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**SICKNESS PROCEDURE**

If a student becomes sick at school they should:

1. First inform their teacher or any teacher if in the playground.
2. If directed to, the student should then report to the main office with a note.
3. If the student is unable to immediately return to class it is policy that parents are contacted by the school and asked, to pick up their child.

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**Uniform Pool**

If you have outgrown school uniform tops and jumpers, the school can take them off your hands to place in the school uniform pool.

Just drop them off at the school canteen.

Your support is appreciated!

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**Updated information**

Do we have your current contact numbers?

Please ensure we have your current details so we can contact you in cases your child becomes ill or injured.

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**FAMILIES ADVISED TO GET IN QUICK FOR LANTERN PARADE FINALE TICKETS**

Online ticketing facilities

Lismore Lantern Parade tickets are now on sale for the 20th anniversary Fiery Finale at Oakes Oval on June 21.

This year for the first time, an online booking system has been introduced to help with efficiency.

With new ticket reading facilities and more entry gates at Oakes Oval for the big night, Lighthouse inc. will be well equipped to deal with what is thought to be the biggest and best Lismore Lantern Festival in history.

The 20th anniversary Lismore Lantern Festival includes a market and carnival street party in the heart of Lismore, champagne window displays, and the much-loved lantern parade through the CBD. The Fiery Finale is the culmination of the winter celebration with music, food stalls, lanterns, fire dancing, the burning of a larger-than-life lantern sculpture and a spectacular fireworks display.

Tickets for the Lismore Lantern Festival Fiery Finale on Saturday, June 21 are now on sale. Visit www.lanternparade.com and book your tickets online, tickets are also available at Power Max Computers and the Lismore Visitors Centre. A wide variety of ticketing options are available including grandstand tickets, which are expected to sell fast. Return bus transfers are also available from Grafton, Ballina, Abbotville, Byron, Bangalow and Kyogle and can be booked online.

Lantern Parade Packages are also available for visitors and the local community. Combine accommodation, Lantern Parade tickets, workshops and dinner. Book at www.lanternparade.com.

For more information, interviews, and photo opportunities, please contact Jylle Jackson on 66266333

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