RACI Awards
Evans River Chemists once again “did the school proud” and were successful in the Royal Australian Chemical Institute’s Titration Competition, held at the Southern Cross University earlier this year. Our first team scored an excellent result, winning 3rd place in the State as well as the Regional Title and plaque, presented to Kai Tosomeen, Connor Dreschler and Alec Barker by Dr Lachlan Yee. To their credit, our second team was also successful in gaining 12th position in the State - a fantastic result for the small cohort. Congratulations!

North Coast National Show
Our students entered a diverse range of exhibits at the North Coast National Show last week. Excellent displays of Aboriginal artwork attracted much public attention, ANZAC storyboards constructed by our Modern History students celebrated the local WWI soldiers, Year 10 Marine students were Highly Commended for their scarecrow with a difference and Kindergarten secured 3rd place with their painting of “How does your garden grow?” Congratulations to all students who worked to produce items and to support the local Show.

Karen Warwick - Science Teacher
Year 9 and 10 students studying Agriculture or Food Tech were given the opportunity to attend the North Coast National on Thursday, 22 October. The students were able to view the exhibits displayed and the Agriculture students were treated to a lesson by Tim Bayliss on the finer points of preparing cattle for judging. Both Bethany and Erica were preparing their Limousin bulls for judging and were happy to share their stories with their peers.

All students are to be congratulated on the way they behaved on the day. Thanks to Ross and Mrs Moreman for their assistance.

Alison McGeary - Science Teacher

(VALID) Science Test Year 8 (Year 9 2016)
The Validation of Assessment 4 Learning & Individual Development (VALID) test for Year 8 students will be held between Friday 12th November and Tuesday 17th November 2015. The test takes approximately 80 minutes. The VALID Science 8 test is an
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Next Week - Week 6 Term 4 - Week B
Nov 09  Years 7-11 Academic School Rollover  Library
Nov 10  CHS Regional Open Beach Volleyball  Evans Head
Nov 09-11 Year 10/11 PEER Support Training  Murwillumbah
Nov 12 & 17 (VALID) Science Testing Year 8 (Yr 9 2016)  Computer Labs
Nov 13  RRISK Seminar - All Year 12  SCU Lismore

Coming Event
Nov 16-27 Year 2-4 Intensive Swimming
Nov 16  P & C Meetings Library/Admin Office  9am & 4:30pm
Nov 24  CHS Regional Cricket Open Girls  Grafton
Nov 25  Lovebites Program Year 10  9:20-3:30
Dec 03  Year 6 to Year 7 Orientation 2016  Evans River
Dec 04  Year 12 QLD University Visit
Dec 14  K-12 Presentation Assembly  11:30am
Dec 16  Last Day of Term 4 for Students
Dec 17-18 School Development Days.

interactive, multimedia test completed entirely on a computer. VALID Science
8 contains multiple choice, short response and extended response tasks that are
grouped around real-world issues, including scientific investigations. This is a
diagnostic test, with tasks framed on Stage 4 outcomes and essential
content in the NSW Science Years K–10 Syllabus. Since students complete
VALID Science 8 on a computer, each student needs to bring headphones or
earbuds that plug into a school computer. Earbuds for an iPod or portable
player are suitable.

Penny Cooper - Head Teacher Science

CHS Cricket
On Wednesday the 14th October Year 9 and Year 10 students travelled to
Lismore to play cricket against Trinity. The boys bowled first starting
extremely well with Adam Hart and Luca Brown bowling at their best. Superb
catches from Samuel Robson and Brodie Olive fired the boys up to get their
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Open Boys Cricket team. Congratulations
Adam and Nathan
Desiree Cotten

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practical skills to manage risks in their social
life and on the roads as drivers and passengers.
Look for information about the RRISK Program on
the RRISK website www.rrisk.com.au and in this
newsletter over the coming weeks.
Our Year 12 Students will attend this mandatory
excursion at Southern Cross University in Lismore
on the 13th November 2015

Science Trivia!
This Week’s Question: What is the igneous
rock seen in hexagonal columns at the Giant’s
Causeway and Fingal’s Cave?
Last Week’s Question: Relating to flat-screen
televisions and monitors, what does LCD stand
for?
Answer: ) Liquid Crystal Display
Congratulations to McKinley Arnison (Year 4) on her success in the recent State Athletics Primary School Championships on the 14th/15th October held at the Sydney Olympic venue at Homebush. McKinley explained to me which events she competed in and that she represented the North Coast Region. She competed in the Para-athlete section for Shot-put, Discus, Long jump and the 100 metre sprint. McKinley came 3rd in discus, receiving a bronze medal, she came 3rd in the Long-jump picking up another Bronze and qualifying for the National titles in this event. McKinley is a lovely and unassuming young girl, I asked her if she liked competing and she told me. “I do it because it’s fun and I get to meet people with other disabilities. While McKinley has made it to the Nationals unlike city students her costs are far greater, making another long trip unaffordable. The school is proud not only of McKinley’s achievements but also her attitude to competing.

The school congratulates Mrs Piccoli on her new role of Assistant Principal at Southern Cross K-12 School. This is a wonderful and well-earned opportunity for Mrs Piccoli and as reluctant as she is to leave Evans River, it is a professional opportunity that could not be missed. She has done a superb job with Kinder students this year preparing them well for the years ahead. Miss Jessica Humphreys has been working with Mrs Piccoli on the Early Action for Success program this year and has a long association with our school. We are pleased to announce that she will be taking the role of Kindergarten teacher for 2016.

This week is Gonski week and staff had a wear green for Gonski day. It’s a great opportunity to get active in the campaign and help secure the resources that will improve the education children receive across Australia.

**GONSKI—What does my child get out of it?**

*Come along next Wednesday 4th November 6PM and you can ask the experts your own questions.*

Our Gonski funding received to date has made a significant difference. It enabled us to expand our literacy and numeracy programs Reading on and Quicksmart for Primary and High School students. Students are showing improved literacy and numeracy outcomes. It finances our Primary Hot House Music program; a program that the school and our families have wanted to offer students for years, but until the Gonski funding we did not have the funds to support this popular program. These few programs are just a small sample of what Gonski funds enable us to operate. The funds have also allowed us to purchase much needed equipment, cover staff training and fund support staff to assist students.

If the Federal Government keeps it promise to continue the Gonski funding not only for four years but the whole six years initially promised, it will enable our students as well as students in all schools (Public, Independent and Private) to have equal opportunities to an Education.

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Thank You to Local Businesses

CONNECT Work Placement and the school would like to thank the following businesses for their ongoing support in taking vocational students to assist them in fulfilling the work placement component of their VET course.

Readings Engineering Pty Ltd
McGeary Bros Engineering
RA’s Lismore Car Repairs
Ballina Smash Repairs
NSW Sugar Milling Cooperative Ltd (Broadwater)
Eastons Mechanical
Helen Felsch Beef and Cane Farm
Rod Hetherington Engineering

**K-6 AWARDS Term 4 Week 2**

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Recharna Deas, Bonnie Hadgelias, Ivy Hamilton, Daniel
MILO CRICKET
If you haven’t heard yet, the Plan B Regional Bash is coming to the Ballina next Sunday 1st November and it is a community event that your students and families are invited to be a part of the fun and excitement.

11am-12pm – FREE MILO T20 Blast and MILO in2CRICKET
Come & Try (5-12 year olds)
11am-3pm – FREE Jumping Castle
12:30pm-2:30pm FREE Face Painting
Special guests – Aussie cricket legend Doug Walters and the Sydney Sixers Mascot

This will be a great community day out including public BBQ and bar where friends and family can come along and watch your local T20 stars in action as they bash their way to the SCG.

MS Office 2016 for Home Use
As part of the department’s Enterprise Agreement with Microsoft, MS Office 2016 is now available under work-at-home rights for DoE staff and students. Under this agreement, a single copy for use on a single computer is provided to NSW public school students for free and to staff for under $25.
More licences of Office 2016 will be made available for free to all students and staff during Term 1 next year under our MS Office 365 agreement.

P&C News
Our next meetings will be held on Monday 16th November. Our morning meeting takes place at 9:00am in the Administration Building and the second meeting is held in the Library at 4:30pm. Please join one of our meetings and bring along your ideas.

2015 HSC Music or Drama Performance DVD’s
The DVD’s are available at the office for $10
All proceeds are used to purchase library books.

The Hysterical History of the Trojan War

When: Sun 1st of Nov
Time: 5.00pm followed by a Bring and Share dinner.
Where: Evans Head Presbyterian Church, 63 Woodburn St, Evans Head
Who: EVERYONE, inviting other churches and any interested people

It will be an opportunity to hear about what God is doing in our schools and how we can support that ministry together. A collection for the work of SRE will be taken on the night.

The Hysterical History of the Trojan War

Evans River Drama
Presents

Tuesday 3 November, 2015
Evans River Performance Hall
55 Adult, 53 Student
11.30am – Year 7 & 8
2pm – Year 9 & 10
6.30pm – Community

Taking Enrolments for 2016
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