Mid Richmond Local AECG formed

A group of school community members met last Thursday afternoon in the school library and agreed to establish the Mid Richmond Local Aboriginal Education Consultative Group. The group will take an interest in Aboriginal education programs in our local area. The group will have delegates to the regional AECG and a formal relationship with the NSW AECG. The election of office bearers resulted in the following outcomes: Craig Gillespie (President), Troy Combo (Vice-President), Simone Barker (Secretary) and Gretchen Young (Treasurer). Craig and Troy together with Glen Cook and Trish Cook will be delegates to the regional AECG. The people will hold office till the AGM in October. Members of the AECG identify as Aboriginal people. Non-Aboriginal people may join as associate members. It is hoped that more members of the school community will join the group, including students of the school, particularly senior students. The formation of a local AECG in our area is an important and exciting development. The school congratulates each of the elected office bearers and looks forward to working to see the best outcomes for young people in our area.

Students miss out

School life provides many learning opportunities – many are planned, some are not. From time to time events may occur in a student’s school life where they are called upon to resolve conflict with another student. There may be times where a student can feel unhappy about a teacher speaking to them. Usually this relates to a poor behaviour choice by the student, but may relate to other matters. Our school rules require students to accept such comments during lesson time and focus on the learning program being delivered. If the student remains concerned, they are to see the teacher at the end of class and arrange a time where the two may sit and discuss what occurred. This arrangement has proven to be very successful in ensuring we have safe, happy and productive learning time for all in the classroom. Recently we have had some students contact parents on mobile phones during lesson time asking them to come to the school to resolve such issues. This practice is unhelpful for a range of reasons. Once students are of age to attend school, they are considered of age to take responsibility for working through issues which occur. The school encourages parents to speak with students about their school day after school, or perhaps around the dinner table at night. Where a parent is uncomfortable with issues they learn of at this time, the parent should contact the school to make an appointment with an appropriate person to learn more of what occurred. Students can miss out on the development of valuable conflict resolutions skills if not allowed the opportunity to take responsibility for working through issues at school in the first instance. The school seeks to work with parents to see that students develop the skills they will need to call on in later life.

Rob Walker – Principal
**Diary**

**This Week - Week 5 Term 3 - Week A**

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**Get Paid While you Study to Become a Teacher in NSW Public Schools!**

If you're considering teaching as a career, you could get paid while you study and be guaranteed a permanent teaching position when you graduate with one of the Department of Education's opportunities for future teachers.

**teach.Rural Scholarships**

Get paid while you study to become a primary or secondary teacher in a rural or remote NSW public school. Up to 50 teach.Rural scholarships are exclusively available to HSC students. teach.Rural Scholars receive:

- $6000 per year up to a maximum of five years
- a permanent teaching job in a rural or remote NSW public school on completion of studies
- $5000 on completion of studies.

If you're not sure if teaching is the right career for you, or you haven't decided what type of teacher you'd like to become, explore what it's like to be a teacher at: www.teach.nsw.edu.au/exploreteaching.


Applications close 18 September 2015.

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**Premier’s Reading Challenge**

**Author Profile**

Robyn Klein was born on the 28th February, 1936 in Kempsey NSW and now lives in Melbourne. She had her first short story published when she was only sixteen. Robyn Klein has won many awards such as Dromkeen Medal and many of her books have been shortlisted for the Australian Children's book of the Year Award.

She has three books on the Premiers Reading Challenge booklist. These include Boss of the Pool, Halfway Across the Galaxy and Turn Left and Hating Alison Ashley. Hating Alison Ashley is a funny story about Erica Yurken who becomes very jealous of the new girl in Year 6, Alison Ashley, and tries to find a way to get rid of her.

**By Phoebe Eyles Year 6**

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**Thank You to Local Businesses**

CONNECT Northern Rivers 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.

- Casino Joinery
- Chill at Evans
- Coraki Hotel
- Evans Head Riverfront Kiosk
- Evans River K-12 Community School
- Lismore Public Library
- Ned Hayes Property Maintenance & Building Services
- Wollongbar TAFE IT Faculty

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**Mr Robertson Took a Small Group to Melbourne**

On Friday 24th July a small group of Visual Arts students went to Melbourne for an excursion. We left Ballina at 11.05 am and landed in Melbourne about 1:30pm. We walked with our teachers to the YHA Hostel. On Saturday we visited the National Gallery of Australia and were astonished by the art works on display. Some of the artwork on offer were Modern, Aboriginal and Indonesian just to mention a few. One highlight was the Street Art and Graffiti. We were all amazed by the Graffiti, it was spectacular. Our group walked up four small lanes to examine some samples of Graffiti. From our trip down Graffiti Lane we went to Federation Square and attended the Art Gallery there, where we discovered many more inspiring artworks from artists from around the world. We would like to thank Mr Robertson and Miss Cotton for giving up their free time to expose us to such beautiful artwork in Melbourne.

**By Tamara Philip Year 9**

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**SURF CLUB- NIPPERS SIGN ON**

Sunday 16th August 9am @ Surf Club for all new and current members

Enquiries: Teena Redman 0409 202 579
Winners of the EcoWarriors colouring & poster competition will be announced at the K-6 Assembly this Friday & they will receive their prizes. Thank you to everyone who entered the competition, there were some great entries and some thought-provoking slogans.

The Australian Sports Commission offers Local Sporting Champions grants, designed to provide financial assistance for young people aged 12-18 towards the cost of travel, accommodation, uniforms or equipment when competing, coaching or officiating at an official national sporting organisation (NSO) endorsed state, national or international sporting championships or a School Sport Australia state or national championships. The Local Sporting Champions grants are for $500 helping young people pursue their sporting dreams.

In the last few weeks three of our talented sporting students have each received one of these grants to help them with their upcoming costs of competing at National levels. Aidan Yourell (Yr 10) - Swimming, Jay Thomson (Yr 9) - surfing Longboards (Yr 9) and Zac McMahon (Yr 8) - surfing Shortboard. Jay will be competing this coming weekend in the Australian Longboard Titles at Coffs Harbour.

One of our teachers Mr Isaac Fields (Yr 5/6) will also be competing at the titles; good luck to both of you. Thank you to the Australian Sports Commission for supporting our students.

Miss Morton our ever innovative Maths teacher held Maths in the sandpit on Wednesday. I just happened to be in the area and snapped this shot of them working out Math volume in the Sandpit.

The Evans River Art Competition is back on again. All students’ entries must be original and created within the last 12 months. The artist may submit no more than two entries. Detailed information flyers can be obtained from the school office. Entries close Friday 9th October.

Announcement of awards/prizes will be on Thursday 15th October 4:30 - 5:00pm, which will include light refreshments & entertainment upstairs in the staff common room in F block.

Sponsors of the competition are the Mid Richmond Education Fund. For more information about the MREF and how they help students go to their website www.midrichmondeducationfund.org for more information about the Art Competition contact Robin Mather or Mark Robertson on 6682 6666.

Canteen Roster - Week A

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Uniform Store
Eftpos Available
The Uniform store is now fully stocked with Winter Jumpers in both Fleece and Chinooks styles including larger sizes for our older students.
The School Uniform Store operates each Friday 8:30am to 9:30am

P&C News
Our next meetings will be held on Monday 17th August. 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.

It’s Tax Time Again!
The Tax Help Program provides a trained volunteer who will do your simple tax return for you FOR FREE. All returns will be done via MyGov and MyTax. Tax Help will be offered out of the Mid Richmond Neighbourhood Centre from July 27th.

Please phone 02 6682 4334 to book your appointment.

WELCOME TO AUSTRALIA’S LARGEST AND ONLY AVIATION DEDICATED EXPO

The 2015 Aviation Careers Expo is back for its 15th year, offering aspiring aviation professionals the chance to get one step closer to their dream career in the sky.

Held in partnership with Defence Force Recruiting at Aviation Australia’s state-of-the-art training facilities in the Brisbane International Airport Precinct, the Aviation Careers Expo is set to showcase the biggest and best in the aviation industry, with training demonstrations, industry talks and a world-class static aircraft display for all to enjoy.

DATE: Saturday 22 August 2015
TIME: 10am to 4pm
LOCATION: 15-25 Donna Road, Brisbane International Airport

Visit www.aviationaustralia.aero/expo to register

FREE EVENT

GIRLS IN -
Engineering, Science & IT

Women are taking on the world - and taking up exciting careers in Engineering, Science and Information Technology.

Whether you are about to choose school subjects for your senior years or are looking for a career change, the GIRLS IN - Engineering, Science and Information Technology event provides a chance for you to investigate your options.

The evening will include guest speakers from industry as well as students talking about these areas - so you will hear first-hand what these careers are all about and have the chance to ask those curious questions.

Thursday, 20 August 2015
5.30 to 7pm followed by refreshments and networking
Balina Surf Club
65 Lighthouse Parade, East Ballina.

Attendance is FREE but please do RSVP to maree.savres@scu.edu.au for catering purposes.

This event is open to men and women.

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