P&C Meetings held the 4th Monday of each month at 5.00pm in the main Administration office.

Principal: Judi Newman

PRINCIPAL’S NEWS

One of our students recently competed in the Order of Australian Association’s “Improving Our Community Award”. Steven Kyriazis was awarded second place in this public speaking competition which included several high schools in the local area. His topic was “Improving Pedestrian Road Safety Around Schools”. He was the only student from the five schools represented who agreed to the Order’s request to provide an entertainment item. Steven played a violin solo for the first time in front of an audience. This experience, provided with the wonderful positive feedback from the judges and other members of the Association, will enhance Steven’s future development.
Year 12 References

Year 12 students may request a school reference for their portfolio. Students simply need to log on to One School and select the ‘Assign’ icon in the Student Reference section. Students are to select one of their Year 12 teacher’s to complete their reference for them. In the notes section, students are to add any additional information they would like included in their reference e.g. musicals, music ensembles, intra-and inter-school sport, etc.

Students may enter their request for a reference between 25 August and 17 September. Students will receive their reference with their graduation certificate at the end of the year. Please note that no late requests will be able to be accepted.

Cynthia O’Sullivan
Deputy Principal

2015 Subject Selections – Phase 2

Final subject selections will be open for Year 9 and 10 students from 25 August to select their subjects for 2015. All students must complete their selections by Wednesday, 10 September. Year 8 students are not required to complete another selection this round.

Please note that some subjects may still not run if an insufficient number of students select the subject in this phase.

If you would like to discuss your child’s options, please contact the Guidance Officer, Christine McTaggart. If your child is having any difficulty in submitting their selections online, please contact Mrs O’Sullivan.

Dates for 2014 School Immunisation Clinics

Round 3 16/9/14 Yr 8 Boys & Girls
- HPV (3rd dose)

Yr 10 Boys
- HPV (3rd dose)
Plus catch up students

Congratulations

Congratulations to Jared Blanchard who played in the 18 and Under Open School Boys National Basketball competition held in Townsville recently. This team was undefeated and claimed the Gold medal.

Jared has been selected to join the Australian Schoolboys team to tour the USA from 1 -18 December. This is a fantastic accomplishment for Jared and one which makes our school community proud.

Well done Jared.

DATE CLAIMERS

Term 3

2-3 Sept  QCS Test – Year 12
Wed 3 Sept  Yr 10 Set Plan Interviews (Library)
8-12 Sept  Yr 12 Exam Block
12-18 Sept  Yr 11 Exam Block
Tues 16 Sept  Immunisation Yr 8 Boys/Girls & Yr 10 Boys HPV 3rd dose
Thurs 18 Sept  Yr 12 Big Day Out
Fri 19 Sept  Last Day Term 3

Term 4

Tues 7 Oct  Term 4 commences
Mon 13 Oct  Yr 11 QCS lessons begin (before school Mon & Thurs 8:25am start)
Mon 20 Oct  Pupil Free Day
22-24 Oct  Yr 11 Leadership Camp
Mon 27 Oct  P&C Meeting 5-7pm/Volunteers Night
10-14 Nov  Yr 12 Exam Block
19-21 Nov  Yr 11 Exam Block
Mon 17 Nov  Awards Night
Thurs 20 Nov  Year 12 Graduation/Formal
Mon 24 Nov  P&C Meeting 5-7pm Admin Bldg
26-27 Nov  Yr 11 QCS Practice Test
Fri 28 Nov  Last Day Yr 10 & 11
Tues 2 Dec  Year 8 Transition Day
Thurs 4 Dec  Year 7 Transition Day
Fri 12 Dec  Last Day of School for 2014
Congratulations to Year 12 Art students Ashleigh Cassidy and Celina McMahon who will have their art work on display at the Rockhampton Art Gallery as part of the regional Creative Generation Visual Arts Exhibition from 6th September till 8th October. Visit the gallery to see this very exciting exhibition which showcases the best of Central Queensland’s student artwork. Celina and Ashleigh are both very talented artists and have produced work of a very high standard consistently throughout their time here at North Rocky High.

Since arriving at North Rocky High in 2012, as our new Film, Television and New Media and Media Studies teacher, Deb Addison has revitalised these subjects.

Students in Yr. 10, 11 and 12 now have the opportunity to learn about many exciting topics including photography, film making and directing, journalism, special effects make up and event management.

Students have taken a keen interest and numbers are rapidly increasing. We had one Film class in 2012. We will have seven classes in 2015. We have a well-equipped film classroom with 20 IMac computers for film editing, several DSLR cameras and video cameras.

Student engagement is also reflected in the achievement data, with a 91% pass rate for Yr.12 Film & TV for Semester 1 this year.

Well done Mrs Addison and congratulations to all our new film students!

TREASURE ISLAND

Treasure Island! Another wonderful musical from North Rocky High and what great fun it was! Six months of long hours of rehearsal certainly paid off with 3 outstanding performances at the Pilbeam Theatre on August 15th and 16th. The show was funny, bright, colourful and very entertaining with great dancing, catchy songs and excellent acting.

The relatively young cast did a fantastic job under the caring guidance of director Mrs McCaul who was ably assisted by Mrs Addison, Miss Carte and Mr Freeman (vocal coaches) and Miss Woodward (choreography).

Special mention must go to our leads- Brin Lorien as Long John Silver, Petra Barnbaum as young Jim Hawkins, Laura Gilbar as Tom Morgan, Kaitlyn Burton as Meg, Olivia Turner as Captain Smollet, Corey Edmonds as Ben Gunn and of course, IT teacher Simon Freeman as Mrs Hawkins.

In additional roles, Isaac Crane, Nyarla Johnson, Madie Boardman, Leonie Austen, Grady Chibnall, Breanna Ramm and Alex Freeman and a chorus of 30 sailors, rowdy pirates, flamingos and dodos all helped to tell the classic Robert Louis Stevenson story of mutiny on the high seas and the search for buried treasure.
The Year 10 Media Studies students have been given a very exciting opportunity to work with The Morning Bulletin to create our own school newspaper that will be sold with The Morning Bulletin on Tuesday 16th September.

This project will see 26 students working as a professional team to create an 8 page newspaper called North Rocky High HAWK Talk. The students are required to complete all tasks as if they were working in the newspaper industry. This includes selling advertising space and designing advertisements for businesses, designing the banner and layout of the paper, conducting interviews, writing articles, editing, photography and working to deadlines and within budgets.

The students have been really enthusiastic and can’t wait to see the finished product. The unit of work will culminate with an excursion to the North Rockhampton print site to watch the papers go to print.

We would really like to thank all business that have purchased advertising from us and to our major sponsors for this project: Ecosmart Solar and The Morning Bulletin.

Written by Montana Smith, Yr 10.

YEAR 10 SET PLAN INTERVIEWS

On the 3rd of September all Year 10 students will complete SET Plan interviews. The interviews will be held in the North Rockhampton State School Library from 12 noon until 7pm and are 15 minutes in duration.

Interview bookings should have been made but in the event you haven’t made your booking please call the school on 49 247 888 to arrange a time.

Year 10 students do not attend school that day. They are only required to come for their Set Plan interview.