# CASINO HIGH SCHOOL

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# Principal's Message

As we reach the end of term, it has been good to be able to reflect on the more stable start to the year that we have had. At this time, I wanted to take a moment to emphasise the importance of attendance.

Regular attendance is essential for academic success. It is not only vital for students to attend school every day, but they must also arrive on time and be ready to learn. By attending school regularly, students develop positive habits and attitudes towards learning, which will help them achieve their academic and personal goals. We understand that there may be circumstances that cause students to miss school, but please ensure that these are kept to a minimum. If your child is absent, please let the school know the reason for their absence, as this helps us to track attendance and identify any issues that may need addressing.

In addition to regular attendance, participation in school sport is also essential for the development of students. School sport provides students with an opportunity to engage in physical activity, develop teamwork skills, and improve their mental and physical health. Remember, school is not just about academic achievement, but also about developing well-rounded individuals. Active participation in school sport is a crucial aspect of this development.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents and students who attended our recent information night for Year 7, 2024. It was great to see so many families there, and I hope that you found the information helpful. Our school values the partnership between parents and teachers, and events like these are important in building and maintaining that relationship. Your feedback was appreciated and it was good to hear so many positive responses. We look forward to seeing our prospective students over the coming year through our transition program.

I also want to encourage all students to participate in the upcoming cross-country carnival at Evans Head being held next Wednesday. This event is an excellent opportunity for students to showcase their physical abilities and sportsmanship. It also provides our students with a chance to be part of a positive event where they not only compete but have the opportunity to participate in activities with students across all year groups. Thank you to those parents that have signed permission notes through the School Stream app. We are still chasing permission notes for some students and if you need help in accessing the app or would like a paper version then please contact the school.

Lastly, I would like to congratulate the Year 7 and 9 students that participated in the recent NAPLAN testing and the positive approach that students took. I would also like to thank Mrs Racheal Wall for all of her organisation that made the whole process a smooth one for both staff and students.

### **Daniel Moar**

### Principal







# **School News**

# **Calendar Events**

### Week 10 - Term 1 Week A

# Monday 27 March

Media for Millennials, Year 11 Business Studies
 Mrs Buckley

# Tuesday 28 March

♦ SRC Assembly - Mrs Duley

# Wednesday 29 March

◆ School Cross Country, Evans Head - Mr Myers

# Thursday 30 March

◆ P&C AGM, Casino High School Common Room

### Friday 31 March

- ♦ School Photos
- North Coast Boys and Girls Rugby League Trials, Coffs Harbour - Ms Evenden
- ◆ TVET Open Day, Wollongbar TAFE Mrs Weir

# Word of the Week

### Week 8

The Bundjalung word of the week is Gurrahman which means Kangaroo in Bundjalung. The kangaroo is the totem for the Richmond house group. The Gurrahman card was found by Ruby Beckenham in Year 10 and she received a canteen voucher.



# Week 11 - Term 1 Week B

# Tuesday 4 April

◆ School Social, Casino RSM Club

# Wednesday 5 April

 Year 11 Hospitality Excursion, Leeville Public School - Mrs Byrnes

# Thursday 6 April

- Catch up School Photo's Day
- Last Day for Students and Staff

# Friday 7 April

Good Friday

# **Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)**

Each week the PBL lesson will focus on one of Casino High School's Core Values. This week's PBL lesson was Yondr Pouches and Mobile Phones.

Canteen Roster 2023			
Term 1 Week 10		Term 1 Week 11	
Monday 27/03/2023	G Rosolen	Monday 03/04/2023	G Rosolen
Tuesday 28/03/2023	E Rosolen	Tuesday 04/04/2023	E Rosolen
Wednesday 29/03/2023	J Carbis	Wednesday 05/04/2023	J Carbis
Thursday 30/03/2023	R Fleming	Thursday 06/04/2023	R Fleming
Friday 31/03/2023	E Rosolen G Rosolen	Friday 07/04/2023	E Rosolen G Rosolen





# **School News**

# **Faculty Awards**

Congratulations to the following students who received PDHPE Faculty Achievement Awards at Assembly this week:

Charlotte Campbell Skye Cooke Ella Newstead

William Winter Tyson Valle Chayse Davis

Jorja Hammond Chelsea Alchin Levi Frost

Ruby Beckenham Natahlia Clements-Pirrottina Tallis Avery

Brianna Gooding Jacinta Campbell Nate Thompson

Blake Scofield Dean Sneesby Tye Hogan-Collins



# Casino High School P&C AGM

The P&C will be holding their AGM on Thursday 30 March at 5:30pm in the Common Room at Casino High School. All positions will be declared vacant, if you are interested in a position or would like more information please contact Mrs Karen Armstrong on 6662 3077. Please bring \$2 if you would like to become a member. All welcome to attend.

# Office hours for school receipting

The school office is able to receipt money for students from 8.30am - 9am and during Break 1 Monday to Friday. Parents and Carers may personally come to the front office anytime between 8.30am and 1.30pm.

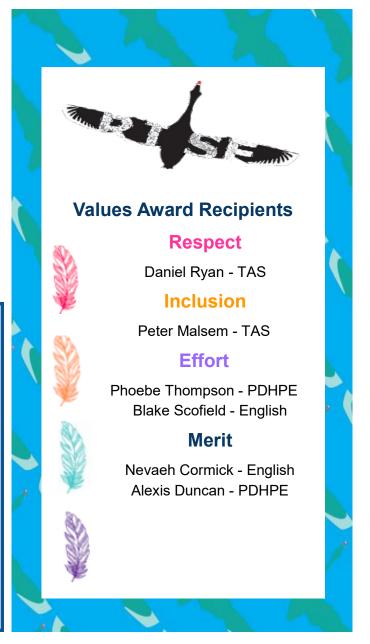
# NO MONEY MAY BE RECEIPTED AFTER 1.30PM.

Payments may be received at the office via cash, cheque, EFTPOS and payments may be made online through the School Website.

# **Upcoming Events:**

Cross Country \$5 Ref: 309951

Year 8 Geography Excursion \$10 Ref: 783508







# **School News**

### **School Photos**

School photos are happening on Friday 31 March, with a catch-up day scheduled for Thursday 6 April.

Please bring your order form envelope with correct money to hand to the photographer on the day. Alternatively, orders can be made through theschoolphotographer.com.au website. The office will not be collecting envelopes or issuing change. If you have lost your order form or require a sibling photo order, spare forms are available from the office.

Full school uniform is required – should you need a uniform for the day, please contact the School Office.





For any budding writers out there!!! Dymocks Books are currently running a writing competition where first prize is \$5000!

Rules of the competition:

- The narrative must be between 500 and 1500 words.
- The competition is open theme. This means that your story can be about anything you want. It can also be written in any genre.

Entries open 15 March 2023 and close 31 May 2023. Your entry MUST be submitted within these dates

Use the following website for more information or see Mrs Hall

https://beyondwords.dymockstutoring.edu.au/?fbclid=lwAR3KgkKYln\_iHMwd9aa1Hiwo0ng25f899bbDc4q0kva9FCZlufwaXUk5heo

# **North Coast Rugby League Trials**

Congratulations to Tye Hogan-Collins who was selected in the combined Far Northern U15's Boys Rugby League team after trials in Ballina a couple of weeks ago. Congratulations to Alyssa Roberts and Joshalynn Walker who were selected in the Far Northern U16's Girls Rugby League team. All three will now compete at the North Coast trials in Coffs Harbour next Friday 31 March.

# **Open Boys and Girls Soccer**

Both the Open Girls and Open Boys soccer teams played Maclean High School on Thursday 23 March. Unfortunately both teams were defeated by Maclean with the girls score 6-2 and the boys 4-0. All students represented Casino High School proudly and congratulations for having a go!

Coaches Mrs Duley and Mr Brewer-Charles.









# Library/Careers/Teaching & Learning News

# **Supporting Reading for Enjoyment**

Research across the world shows that students who read books they enjoy for at least 20 minutes a day significantly improve their ability to recognize and understand more words and demonstrate improvements in reading, comprehension and writing than those who do not read. In the library section of The Hub, we have a large variety of books to suit readers across a wide range of interests and abilities. Students are actively encouraged and are given opportunities to read books for enjoyment each day:

- During English classes
- \* During "Silent Time", Break 2 in the Hub
- During Year 7 Information Literacy class

# Students' Choices Included in The Hub

Students are the main users of the collection so they are encouraged to request books they would like to read. Last year we had over 200 hundred book requests and this year we have over 50 requests so far. It is great to see so many students involved in reading and improving our collection.

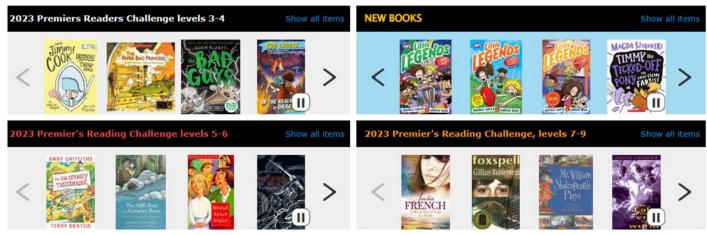
Students who choose a book earn an Inclusion Award and their names are placed on a sticker inside.





# Premiers Reading Challenge (27 Feb - 18 Aug)

Students can use the catalogue via their student portal to easily find hundreds of books to read for the Premier's Reading Challenge. They have been organised into reading levels to make it easy to find a book.







# **Library/Careers/Teaching & Learning News**

# **New Furniture and New Collections to Support our Students**

We have expanded our fiction collection and have replaced our older shelves. Over time we will be working on improving our non fiction collection to bring it up to date and to include more books that students are interested in. We are also creating a Senior Reference Collection which will include study guides, texts and workbooks for HSC students to use during their study period in the Senior Learning Area in The Hub.

Many thanks to the student helpers who gave up their lunch breaks to help move thousands of books.

Ms Hatzimanolis, Teacher Librarian.













# **Library/Careers/Teaching & Learning News**

# **Year 7: Supporting Information Literacy**

Students in Year 7 have 1 lesson a week in Information Literacy. Information Literacy involves students building their skills in finding quality information and how to use this information to do schoolwork and assignments. They will practice using the Library catalogue to refine their searches to locate appropriate resources. They will learn how to use the internet to find quality information so they can research more effectively.

Students also practice how to use basic computer applications to keep their work organized and will also have an opportunity later this year, to demonstrate and showcase their skills by completing a personal interest research project.

# Outdoor Learning through the Library and Djanangmum Knowledge Trail

We have been working with a dedicated group of students during Garden Sport to plant our gardens with local natives and cultivars that include plants used for food, fibers and medicines for over two years. This garden will form part of our school's outdoor learning areas. This garden promotes Aboriginal plant use and an understanding of local ecology. Students have undertaken activities such as dying and weaving and measured vitamin C content in berries.

The Teacher Librarian has developed a website accessible via My School Library app in their student portal which has information about plants and Aboriginal culture. The Library has a broad range of books about Aboriginal plant use and this collection is expanding to support the developing outdoor learning area.



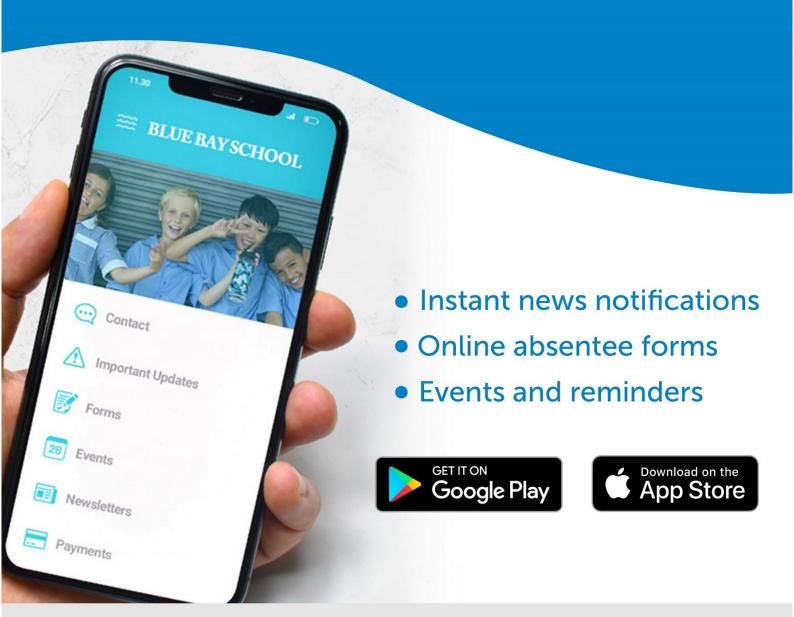








# Download our school app for free!



# **Download instructions:**

1. Go to the App Store and download "School Stream" to your phone.

2. Open the app and type the school's name into the search bar to load the school's profile. 3. Make sure you agree to Push Notifications when prompted.

# ONLY 6 WEEKS TO GO FOR THE

# RICHMOND RIVER BEEF PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION



# Kyogle Beef Bonanza May 6, 2023

# **Venue: Kyogle Showgrounds**

# Judging from 10am

- Classes for pen of Three (3) Vealers Milk Tooth
- Single Class Milk Tooth Vealers
- Pen of Three (3) Replacement Heifers Exhibitor Bred
- Class for Led Steer [Points awarded are included in the Casino Beef Week Point score series.]
- Class for Junior Parader
- Class for Junior Judging

Please see attached entry form for more details.

Supported by The Kyogle Show Society.

All cattle must have an NVD plus NLIS tags.
For more information please contact secretary@rrbp.org.au