

NEWSLETTER



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ANZAC Day

Staff and students of The Rivers Secondary College marched in unity this ANZAC Day in Lismore to pay their respects to ANZAC soldiers who served and died in all wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations.

Thank you to everyone who represented Kadina High Campus.



CALENDAR

- 26 May
Athletics Carnival
- 25 May
**College Roadshow
G'Bah Public/Whyrallah Rd**
- 1 June
**College Roadshow
Lismore Public/Lismore Sth**
- 2 June
**Combined Stage 6 Parent
Teacher Evening**
- 14 June
**P&C Meeting
Kadina High Campus**
- 17 June
School Vaccinations
- 21 June
**RASE Bottle Rocket
Competition at KHC (bottom
oval) Parents invited.**
- 1 July
**College OzTag/NAIDOC Cup
Lismore High Campus**



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We would like to respectfully acknowledge the Elders past and present of the Wijabal Wiyabal people and other peoples of Bundjalung Nation. We acknowledge that they are the first peoples of this land on which our school stands.

ANZAC Assembly

Kadina High Campus commemorated Anzac day with a formal Anzac assembly held in the MPC. Mr Ken Arnett a representative of the Lismore RSL sub-branch along with a number of Kadina students made impassioned speeches and read poems commemorating Anzac Day.

Kadina commemorated Anzac Day early this year as Anzac Day was in the Easter Holidays.



Principal Message

It has been a strong start to the year at the Kadina High Campus. Despite the adversity we have had to overcome and the challenges that have presented themselves, we have worked hard to maintain our high expectations of ourselves and others. I would like to thank every student, teacher, parent and community member for your resilience in the face of the Lismore Flooding crisis. We know we have a long road to recovery but it has been heartening to see everyone coming together to help and support one another. In particular, I would like to acknowledge the hard work of our Year 12 students and teachers who have been continuing to prepare for the Higher School Certificate. In Week 4, we met with the CEO of NESA and provided students with a chance to hear about how NESA will ensure they are supported in completing their HSC. Our staff stand ready and able to apply all the required support to ensure no student is disadvantaged by any circumstance, especially the floods.

We are currently finalising reports for all year groups and look forward to this adding to our ongoing conversations with parents/carers about student achievement. We know that when we work in partnership to support students, we can see real student growth. Please keep an eye out for notifications about parent teacher evenings and the distribution of reports.

Some highlights for me this semester have been watching our students support one another and the community, represent their campus with pride at the ANZAC Day March and finally being able to welcome parents on school grounds again for our SRC Induction. It has also been overwhelming to see the national support to our college 'Vouch for Lismore' Campaign. With over \$100,000 donated in the form of vouchers, we are preparing to ensure these vouchers are distributed to our most flood affected families across the college.

Congratulations to all the students who continue to take up the challenge of seeing what Kadina can create for them. I am excited to see what we can achieve over the remainder of this term and for the rest of the year.

Principal

James Witchard



Year 9 Showtime

Yr 9 Showtime class recording a radio drama to learn about audio recording, cue sheets and foley sound effects.

Yr 12 Vet Entertainment class setting up a vision switcher and operating a green screen for their Vision component.



Year 10 News

Congratulations to our SRC Leaders who were inducted recently. This year, our Year 10 Student Representative Leaders are Gwen, Elanor, Sienna and Sarah.

Save the date: Our Peer Support Leadership Camp has been postponed until December 7-9th.

Events to keep an eye out for: Athletics carnival, debating, sporting teams and many other opportunities.

English News

Year 7 survived NAPLAN now moving into the Discussion: National Parks.

Year 8 are working on Sustainability and will be working on websites.

Year 9 also made it through NAPLAN and are currently reading Miss Peregrine's School for Peculiar Children. This will lead into a creative writing assessment task.

Year 10 have been working on HeyWire stories where they explore their own stories

Year 11 Advanced English recently attended the Kyogle Writers Festival. We were lucky to hear from a young writer who is taking on the world, one protest at a time and from Ben, who is a local paramedic.

Thanks for organising Ms Tiernan.

Aboriginal Education Officer (AEO)

Congratulations Jenique Sines who will be in the role of our AEO while Auntie Irene is on leave.

Students wanting to check in with Jenique can find her in her office (near the PE change rooms) or in Nalini Room (student support room- next to DT1).

Jenique will be supporting our students as they complete their PLPs and is an integral part of our Student Supports Services at Kadina.

Student Representative Council (SRC) Assembly

It was fantastic to finally be able to induct our Captains, Vice Captains and Student Representative Council for 2022. Congratulations to all students who were awarded their badges today and thanks to all parents and carers who were able to attend. #Lovewhereyoulearn #Kadinacreates



Success Stories

Dom Waters

Dom Waters is a former student of Kadina who has recently been awarded the prestigious University Medal and was asked to give the Vote of Thanks at his catch-up graduation ceremony in April. Congratulations, Dom.

Please read Dom's full story at www.une.edu.au/connect/news/2022/05/you-never-really-feel-anonymous-at-une



Connor Henderson

It was fantastic to receive delivery today of some new artwork for the Principal's office. Connor Henderson is an ex-student of TRSC Kadina High Campus and now a professional photographer. His amazing work highlights the natural beauty of our region and is a fantastic example of what #KadinaCreates



Attendance

With the disruptions that many of our families have faced in recent months, we understand that getting children to school every day is not always easy. We're here to help. If there are things that we can do to help your child to get to school every day, please let us know. Every day really does count!

NSW Department of Education

Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Build friendships



Develop life skills

education.nsw.gov.au



Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss weeks per year

and years over their school life

1 day per fortnight



=

4 weeks



=

Over

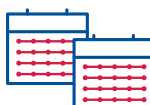
1 year missed

1 day per week



=

8 weeks



=

Over

2.5 years missed

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VOUCH FOR

LISMORE

THANK YOU!

OVER \$100,000 RAISED!

IMAGE: THE RIVERS SECONDARY COLLEGE, RICHMOND RIVER
HIGH CAMPUS
BRODIE EVANS VISUAL



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VOUCH FOR LISMORE

FUNDRAISING SCHOOLS

BATES DRIVE SCHOOL
BELLINGEN HIGH SCHOOL
BELLINGEN PUBLIC SCHOOL
BOWRAVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL
BRISBANE WATERS SECONDARY COLLEGE
BULLI HIGH SCHOOL
BUNDARRA CENTRAL SCHOOL
CALLAGHAN COLLEGE, JESMOND CAMPUS
CANBERRA HIGH SCHOOL
CANOBOLAS RURAL TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL
CARINGBAH HIGH SCHOOL
CASTLE HILL HIGH SCHOOL
CENTRAL SYDNEY INTENSIVE ENGLISH HS
CESSNOCK HIGH SCHOOL
CESSNOCK WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL
CHELTENHAM GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL
COFFS HARBOUR LEARNING CENTRE
COONABARABRAN HIGH SCHOOL
COORABELL PUBLIC SCHOOL
COROWA HIGH SCHOOL
DENILQUIN HIGH SCHOOL
DUBBO COLLEGE SENIOR CAMPUS
DULWICH HIGH SCHOOL
DUNGOG HIGH SCHOOL
EASTWOOD HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL
EPPING BOYS HIGH SCHOOL
FAIRFIELD HIGH SCHOOL
FAIRVALE HIGH SCHOOL
FINIGAN DISTANCE EDUCATION
FRANCIS GREENWAY HIGH SCHOOL
GIRRAWEE HIGH SCHOOL
GLENWOOD HIGH SCHOOL
GOULBURN HIGH SCHOOL
GREAT LAKES SECONDARY COLLEGE, FORSTER CAMPUS
HOLROYD HIGH SCHOOL
KARIONG MOUNTAINS HIGH SCHOOL
KIAMA HIGH SCHOOL

KILLARNEY HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL
KIRRAWEE HIGH SCHOOL
KURRI KURRI HIGH SCHOOL
LAMBTON HIGH SCHOOL
MACKSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL
MAITLAND GROSSMAN HIGH SCHOOL
MITCHELL HIGH SCHOOL
MOSS VALE HIGH SCHOOL
MUDGEER PUBLIC SCHOOL
MURRUMBURRAH HIGH SCHOOL
NORTHERN BEACHES SECONDARY COLLEGE, MACKELLAR
GIRLS CAMPUS
NAMBUCCA HEADS HIGH SCHOOL
NORTH ROCKS PUBLIC SCHOOL
NORTHERN BEACHES SECONDARY COLLEGE, MANLY
CAMPUS
NORTHMEAD CREATIVE & PERFORMING ARTS HIGH
SCHOOL
OAKLANDS CENTRAL SCHOOL
OBERON HIGH SCHOOL
PENNANT HILLS HIGH SCHOOL
RANDWICK GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL
RIVERSTONE HIGH SCHOOL
ST MARYS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
SURVEYORS CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL
SWANSEA HIGH SCHOOL
SYDNEY SECONDARY COLLEGE, BLACKWATTLE BAY
CAMPUS
SYLVANIA HIGH SCHOOL
SWANSEA HIGH SCHOOL
TEMPE HIGH SCHOOL
TUGGERAH LAKES SECONDARY COLLEGE, TUMBI UMBI
CAMPUS
TULLAMORE CENTRAL SCHOOL
URALLA CENTRAL SCHOOL
WODONGA MIDDLE YEARS COLLEGE
WOODENBONG CENTRAL SCHOOL
WOOLGOOLGA HIGH SCHOOL
YASS HIGH SCHOOL

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Flood Recovery Update

May 2022

Supporting flood-impacted schools

The NSW Department of Education is coordinating an emergency response effort that is unprecedented in terms of scale and impact. A large number of schools in the Northern Rivers region have damage to either the entire site or some buildings and facilities.

What is happening at the Richmond River High Campus?

The whole Richmond River High Campus was damaged by flood waters and is still closed for cleaning and remediation.

Due to the extent of damage, students will continue to learn from the Lismore High Campus, with a temporary “pop-up” school soon to be operational on the site.

Current status

- Temporary buildings are being installed at the Lismore High Campus to cater for the learning needs of students, with the specialist spaces soon to arrive.
- The Richmond River High Campus has been made safe. The school has been cleaned, walls and classrooms have been stripped out and the site has been secured.

Next steps

Planning and due diligence is underway to understand the scope of work required to rebuild the school and to meet local needs for permanent education infrastructure.

School Infrastructure NSW will hold a school community information session for the Richmond River High Campus community in coming weeks.

The information session will provide the community with updates on the extent of damage at the school, the rebuild of buildings, timelines and upcoming community engagement activities.

What else is happening in the region?

The local School Infrastructure NSW office has inspected all schools in flood-impacted areas and has removed rubbish, cleaned and secured affected sites to ensure they are safe. Teams are repairing and remediating schools that were damaged during the floods and assessing works needed to rebuild the worst affected schools.

Where possible, students are learning at their usual school sites, while some schools have been relocated to alternative sites so that their learning can continue while school repairs or rebuild works are underway.

We thank you for your patience during this important program of work. We will continue to share information with you as work progresses.

For more information contact:

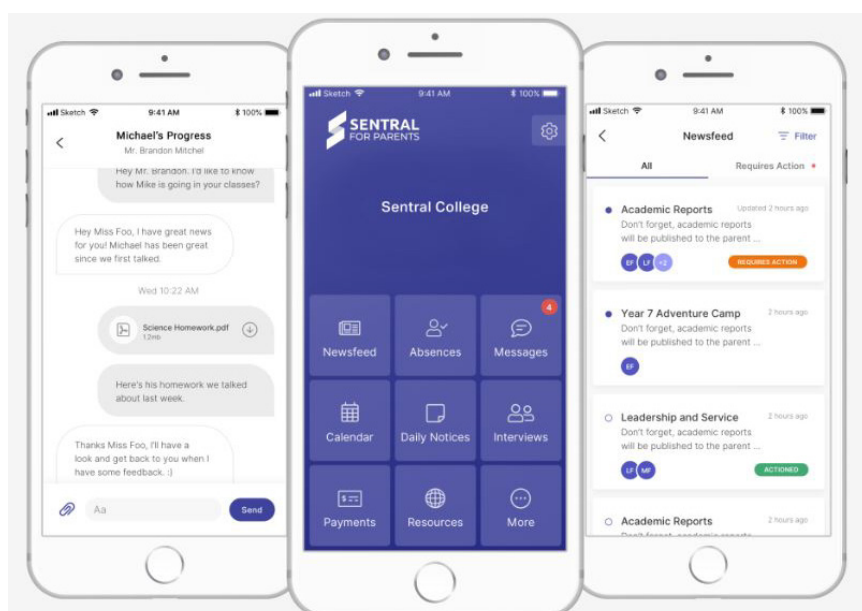
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Kadina Parent Portal and App

The Sentral for Parents Portal and App allows you to monitor your child's school journey simply and efficiently. You will find numerous smart features that help streamline your day. Receive messages and notifications from teachers, receive important alerts and announcements and even download school forms that you normally would have had to request. The Sentral for Parent Portal and App helps you to stay connected and informed about your child's education safely and securely from your own home.

We sent home letters with instructions on how to register and link your child to your account using the personal code issued to each student. If you have misplaced your letter please contact the school and we will organise a new letter to go out. Once registered and logged in please remember to take the second step of linking your child to your account, if you fail to do this you will not see personalised information and attendance data for your child, also, teachers and parents will not be able to communicate directly through the messaging function.



Sentral for Parents app features



Newsfeed and Daily Notices

Receive newsfeed and daily notices about important events that relate to your child.



2-way messaging

Communicate directly with your child's teacher in the app via 2-way messaging. View, download and upload documents.



Absence notifications

Send absence notifications to the school quickly and easily from within the app.



Calendar

View calendar items to stay up to date with school events.



Interviews

Conveniently view parent teacher interview bookings.



Payments

View and make payments for school fees, excursions and more.

Communication with the Kadina community

1. Updating Your Contact Details

Please advise the office when you have had a change to any of your contact details; address, phone numbers, email, emergency contacts – form attached. This becomes particularly urgent in case of injury or emergency and can be distressing for students when we are unable to contact you or an emergency contact. Please refer to the attached form 'Update of Student Details'

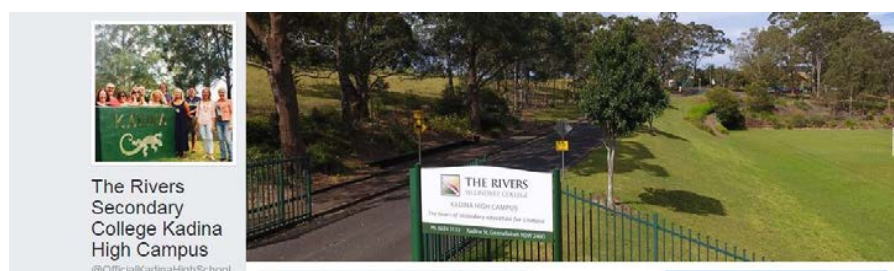
We are moving towards emailing as our primary form of communications in the future. It would be appreciated if your preferred email contact could be provided to us at your earliest convenience, if you have not already done so.

2. Keeping update with the goings on at Kadina

There are a few ways that we communicate with our community.



- **Facebook:** To get to it, logon to Facebook and in the search bar type in *"The Rivers Secondary College Kadina High Campus official"* This is kept up to date with lots of articles and pictures about what is happening at Kadina.



- **Website** Our school website is <http://www.kadina-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/>
- **Newsletter** A campus newsletter is produced every four weeks. It can be accessed via our website, Facebook and the Parent Portal app. Alternatively, if you would like the newsletter emailed to you log onto whichever email account you would like it sent to and send an email to kadina-h.admin@det.nsw.edu.au and type "subscribe me" in the subject line.
- **[Kadina-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:kadina-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au)** for general enquiries please use our school email address

Payments

At Kadina, our preferred method of accepting payments is via the secure online parent payment portal located on our campus website - click the "Make a Payment" tab at the top of the website home page.

Cash and eftpos payments are accepted at the front office. Students can make payments before classes commence, at recess and at lunch. It should be noted that the front office does not hold cash and has very little access to change.



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UPDATE OF STUDENT DETAILS FORM

CHANGE OF: ☐ FAMILY CIRCUMSTANCE ☐ ADDRESS ☐ PHONE NUMBERS ☐ EMERGENCY CONTACT

PARENT/S NAME (MR, MRS, MISS, MS) _____

STUDENT NAME _____ YEAR _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

MOBILE NUMBER TO RECEIVE ABSENCE NOTICES _____

HOME PHONE _____

MOTHER/CARER WORK PHONE _____ MOBILE _____

FATHER/CARER WORK PHONE _____ MOBILE _____

EMERGENCY CONTACTS (OTHER THAN MAIN PARENT/CARER)

1. NAME _____ RELATIONSHIP TO STUDENT _____

HOME PHONE _____ MOBILE _____

2. NAME _____ RELATIONSHIP TO STUDENT _____

HOME PHONE _____ MOBILE _____

CHANGES TO CUSTODY/CARE ARRANGEMENTS (IF APPLICABLE)

NB Letter must be attached by current guardians stating as @ (date)(students name) will be residing with (name and address). All correspondence/communications should be addressed to.....I wish/do not wish to remain as an emergency contact. ALL CURRENT GUARDIANS MUST SIGN.

OTHER CHANGES (IF APPLICABLE)

Parent/Carer 1

SIGNATURE _____

NAME _____

DATE _____

Parent/Carer 2

SIGNATURE _____

NAME _____

DATE _____

BROTHER(S) AND/OR SISTER(S) WHO ARE ATTENDING KADINA WHOM CHANGES AFFECT

STAFF SIGNATURE & DATE _____



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