

RICHMOND HIGH SCHOOL

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YEAR 12 GRADUATION



Week 10 marked a significant milestone in the journey of our Year 12 students, as we gathered to formally farewell the Class of 2025. It was a heartfelt occasion, celebrating their achievements and the conclusion of their time at our school. We extend our sincere thanks to all the parents, families, and friends who joined us for the ceremony. Your presence and continued support mean so much to our students and staff, and it was wonderful to share this important moment with our wider school community. From everyone at RHS; farewell Year 12!



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2025 CAREERS MARKET

Early in September, Richmond High School proudly hosted our annual Careers Market, and it was nothing short of a standout success.

Held in the Richmond High MPC, the event welcomed not only our own students but also those from Melonba High School, Windsor High School, and Hawkesbury High School. The atmosphere was buzzing with excitement as students explored future possibilities, spoke with industry experts, and took part in hands-on learning experiences.

With over 60 displays from a wide range of local businesses, academies, and tertiary institutions, students had the opportunity to explore career pathways in health, trades, creative arts, defence, education, IT, emergency services, and more. Adding even more depth to the day, over 20 interactive workshop sessions were delivered by external organisations. These sessions gave students real-world insights into various professions, as well as practical advice on job readiness.



2025 CAREERS MARKET



The event was a valuable opportunity for students to ask questions, gain career inspiration, and start thinking seriously about their future pathways.

A huge thank you goes out to all the organisations who gave their time and expertise, and to the staff who worked behind the scenes to bring the day together.

Most importantly, thank you to the students who participated with enthusiasm and curiosity. We also commend Windsor High, Hawkesbury High and Melonba High students for their outstanding behaviour and enthusiasm.

The overwhelming statistics made it the biggest Careers Market to date. Well done all!



BOOK WEEK PARADE



On the 20th of August, RHS came alive with colour, creativity, and characters as we celebrated our much-loved annual Book Week Parade. This year's event saw an incredible turnout, with students and staff alike dressing up as their favourite book and movie characters. From classic literary heroes to contemporary icons, the parade highlighted the rich imagination and enthusiasm within our school community. Hallways were a buzz all sorts of characters, ranging from Tellytubbies, Minions and Smurfs, to Bananas in Pyjamas and even the full cast of Frozen.

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The Book Week Parade is more than just a fun dress-up day, it's a chance to promote a love of reading, storytelling, and creativity. It also encourages everyone to explore the worlds beyond the page and to appreciate the joy and power of literature.

A huge thank you to everyone who participated, planned, and supported the event. We can't wait to see what characters will come to life next year.



CANOEING EXCURSION



Some of our Stage 5 students recently enjoyed a fun and active day out on the water during a canoeing excursion with Blue Mountains TAFE. Held at the beautiful Wentworth Falls Lake, the day focused on learning basic canoeing strokes and water safety skills. Students also had a chance to put their new techniques to the test through a series of team games on the lake. Perfect weather for canoeing and a great bunch of students! The excursion was a fantastic opportunity for students to build confidence, work together, and enjoy the great outdoors!



SWIMMING STAR



Earlier this year, Tahlia Chapman (Year 8) proudly represented both her school and the state of New South Wales at the School Sport Australia Aquatic Games (also known as the School Nationals) held in Brisbane in July.

Competing in the 13 Years Girls 50m Breaststroke, Tahlia delivered an outstanding performance in the heats, placing 7th overall and earning her place in the national final. In an exciting final swim, Tahlia achieved a new personal best and finished 4th overall.

Her performance not only marked a significant personal milestone but also improved her qualifying time for the Swimming Australia Age Nationals, which will take place on the Gold Coast in April 2026. Congratulations, Tahlia, on your fantastic achievements. We can't wait to see what you accomplish next!



BEACH VOLLEYBALL CUP



On Tuesday 2/9/25 Richmond High sent 2 x Yr 11 boys teams to the Volleyball NSW Beach Volleyball Schools Cup at Blacktown City Beach Volleyball Courts. The boys had never played beach volleyball before and had to learn to adapt to some different rules and strategies, as well as overcoming the challenges of jumping and diving in the sand. Both teams represented the school extremely well, playing with great intensity and determination against some very elite competition - with schools coming from the Central Coast, Wollongong as well as from the private and Catholic systems.

Cory and Jayden had 2 wins and a loss, finishing in the top half, coming 9th out of 18 teams. Rhys and Cooper had a win and 2 losses, finishing 12th. Our boys also did a great job officiating games throughout the day, with Rhys refereeing one of the semi finals.



WHITE RIBBON CUP

Richmond High School recently competed in the White Ribbon Cup, an annual event to raise awareness and take a stand against domestic violence.

We're happy to report that our all-ages Richmond team were the runners up this year! Well done to our students who competed in this positive event, and a special thanks to Mr Joseph for his support and enthusiasm.



RECOGNISING STAFF



This term, we proudly celebrated four of our dedicated staff members who received formal recognition awards for their outstanding and extended service within public education. Collectively, these exceptional educators and support staff have contributed over 100 years to the growth, wellbeing, and learning of students across the state — an incredible milestone that speaks to their passion, commitment, and impact.

A massive congratulations to:

Miss Bow - Our veteran HSIE Teacher, a wealth of knowledge and expertise in all things History.

Mrs Veigel - Our wonderfully eccentric and endlessly creative Visual Arts teacher, an expert in clay and sculpture.

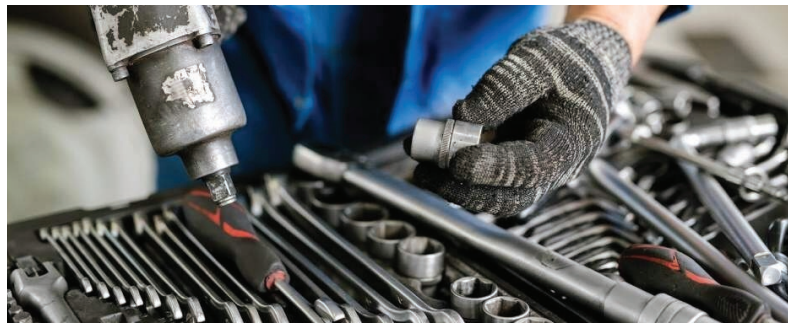
Mrs Vaz - The much-loved Hospitality powerhouse!

Mrs Donaldson - The dependable backbone of our Support Unit, who brings care, consistency, and calm to the classroom each day.

WORK PLACEMENT RECOGNITION



Congratulations to Jack Bennett, who was recently nominated by his TAFE Work Placement Host, Cumberland Ford, for a Work Placement Recognition Award through the Schools Industry Partnership. As part of his Preliminary studies, Jack is completing a Certificate II in Automotive: Mechanical Technology at TAFE NSW, which includes mandatory industry placement. Cumberland Ford praised Jack for his dedication, strong work ethic, and outstanding performance during his time with them. Well done, Jack, on this fantastic achievement and for representing our school with excellence in the industry!



MANDALONG STUD

Richmond High's partship with Mandalong Stud has continued to strengthen over Term 3, with multiple training days for our Ag Show Team students. The expert guidance and hands-on experience is proving invaluable, with great results from the GSSCC Presentation Night. Congratulations to all our talented Ag students this year.





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