



NewsLETTER

Friday 7 June Term 2 Week 6

HUGE CONGRATUATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS!

See inside this issue to read all about outstanding students achieving outstanding results!

From our Dancing girls at the Far North Coast Dance Festival to the Far North Coast Cross Country winners and our Rugby Team's victory at the North Coast Regional Knockout Finals!



PERFECT WEATHER FOR THE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The Annual Tweed River High School Athletics Carnival was held on the Tweed River High Ovals on Monday 27th of May. It was a great day, with the weather certainly looking after us this year. Turn to page 9 for results and photos.





SENIOR EXECUTIVE REPORT

Important Information about HSC, 2020

With only 5 weeks to go in Term 2, planning is underway for the 2020 school year. Year 10 students can this week expect to receive a copy of the 2020 HSC subject information booklet. The booklet contains course information including HSC status, VET accreditation and course fees for all courses being offered to students for the 2021 HSC. Students will have a few weeks to read the information and ask lots of questions of staff before having to make decisions about their preferences for their HSC pattern of study. It is important that students make the most of this consultation period to clarify what they need to achieve in the HSC that will set their course for post school destinations.

Important dates for parent calendars include; an information evening, planned for Aug 5th, following parent teacher interviews on July 29th. Round one of the 2020 online subject selections for Years 8, 9 and 11 will then be opened with preferences submitted by Aug 9th. Particular attention should be made by parents and students to “getting it right” for your own educational needs at this point. A number of subjects will be culled following this round of selections and you may not have a second chance. Time lost changing subjects in early 2020 also means students have less time in courses to get their best results.

Social Media Issues

One of the most frustrating aspects of managing and supporting students in a school is dealing with issues relating to social media. These ever emerging platforms are instant and uncontrollable. Their impact on students can be devastating and their data lasts forever and can be used by anyone at any time, after it leaves a student’s keyboard.

Despite the efforts of parents, staff and peers a number of students continue to engage in risky online behaviour. The latest research reports that 40% of students 13 years and older state they are engaging in “sexting”, with some studies indicating up to 50% of high school students surveyed saying they are engaging in this activity. Many of those surveyed, thought this behaviour was normal, with most having little understanding of the associated risks. A 2012 UK study reported that two thirds of sexual abuse suffered by teenagers under the age of 17 was perpetrated by someone under the age of 18; with the most common form of that abuse being technology-mediated sexual pressure from peers. Students being pressured to take and send explicit photos of themselves for fear of rejection by their peer group. While from late 2018 there are some narrow exemptions for minors under the age of 18, in NSW the law in relation to sexting begins with the Crimes Act. For the most part students who transmit, store and/or distribute images of themselves or others, particularly without their consent, are engaging in a criminal act. In addition, it is an offence to cause a person to fear that an intimate image will be recorded or distributed. A threat of this nature may be given implicitly, explicitly or by way of conduct. It is also important to understand that students under the age of 16 years do not legally have the capacity to consent to such images being recorded or transmitted. This can then lead to older students placing themselves at real risk of criminal prosecution if they engage in this activity. Adults who are aware of such activity and do not report it are also committing a criminal offence.

It is clear that there is no better safeguard for your children than taking the time to develop a strong relationship with your teenager; discussing with them what they are up to in their lives, particularly when online. The most important message is that sexting should be part of a wider conversation regarding healthy relationships, peer pressure, consent, digital security and sexuality. It is essential that these conversations include issues such as the consequences for taking, sending or storing such images, the links between sexting and cyberbullying, the risk of damage to the reputations and feelings of others and

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the legalities. These conversations should occur at home as well as at school in order to keep our students safe, now and into the future. Our school welfare program takes the time to address these types of matters in a range of contexts. Resources are available to parents at www.esafety.gov.au.

Winter Uniform

I'd like to take this opportunity, as winter takes hold, to clarify the schools position on our winter uniform. Hoodies of all types are banned at this school. They do not have any part in our uniform and students will be asked to remove them where they are encountered. Hoodies represent a security risk in the playground as they can prevent staff from identifying people moving through the school including unauthorised and unwelcome visitors. Students who represent our school at North Coast or CHS level are able to purchase a "rep jacket" which can be worn on Sports days. Students who choose to purchase a "rep hoodie" unfortunately, will not be able to wear the item at school. This policy aligns with the overall hoodie ban which is in place for your child's safety. Students are expected to wear the green school pullover in Years 7-10 and the black pullover in Years 11 and 12. Track pants are also available as part of the winter uniform. The Uniform Shop is open 8am-11am Tuesdays and Thursdays. The school continues to advise students and parents that these winter items are available for exchange at the office and there is no reason for a student to be cold at school.

Staff Development

This week staff were involved in 3 hours of professional development after school. The time was spent reflecting on classroom practise, sharing expertise and learning new skills from the latest research presented by Dr Janelle Wills, into the benefits of formative assessment and strategies to enhance student engagement. These strategies will be a focus of our classrooms moving forward as staff continue to work towards improving student learning outcomes.

Mr Breen Mackney, Deputy Principal

TRHS WINTER UNIFORM



Junior Uniform with School Jumper



Senior Uniform with School Jumper



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon	10 Jun	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Tues	11 Jun	Year 9 Real Skills Program
Weds	12 Jun	Cherbourg Aboriginal Community Excursion (12 -14 June) Primary School Netball umpiring 2.30pm Homework Centre
Fri	14 Jun	LIL Reading program
Mon	17 Jun	STEM Visits to Primary Schools CHS Girls Hockey -Moorebank 6pm: P&C Meeting - Staff Common Room
Tues	18 Jun	TLC Creativity in English Year 9 Real Skills Program AIME Workshops
Weds	19 Jun	2.30pm Homework Centre
Thurs	20 Jun	ATSI Health Checks FNC Open Netball Gala Day - Arkinstall Park Year 9 Unibound Yr9 SCU Campus Tour
Fri	21 Jun	LIL Reading Program Murwillumbah Eisteddfod NC Cross Country



PRINCIPAL'S QUALITY WORK AWARDS

TERM 2, WEEK 6+

YEAR 8 - HSIE - MRS RYAN

Ben ADAMS; Sam ADAMS;
Rory COUSINS; Layla HADLOW;
Riley JOHN; Keeli KEYS; Flynn MILLER;
Paige RADLEY;
Mathew SCHAEFER; Billy-Joe SIMONS;
Billy STANNARD

YEAR 12 - NC Dance - Mrs Marriott

Jasmin MANSFIELD-FRENCH



[Find out more about stymie](#)

UNIFORM SHOP

Open Every Tuesday & Thursday
8.00am—11am
(Located Next to the Canteen)
Coordinator - Lisa King

TRHS CANTEEN

Check out the daily menu on the
canteen window for some great meal
deals. Eftpos available. Open for
Breakfast Recess Lunch

P&C NEXT MEETING

6pm : Monday 17 June
Staff Common Room
All Welcome :)



Education &
Communities

Compulsory School Attendance

Information for parents

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

What are my legal responsibilities?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age. The *Education Act 1990* requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards for homeschooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

The importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

Travel

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An *Application for Extended Leave* may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

In some circumstances students may be eligible to enrol in distance education for travel periods over 50 school days. This should be discussed with your child's school principal.





OUR KOKODA KIDS

Great News! TRHS students Shenyqua and Tanishka have been selected into the Kokoda Challenge Youth Program (KCYP). Youth Services Manager, Dann Hollingshed said; "The program is based on our core values of Courage, Endurance, Mateship and Sacrifice. We are four weeks into the KCYP with the team having completed some tough hikes and participated in a 2-day adventure camp. The activities thus far have fostered the development of resilience, trust and healthy rapport with their team mates and leaders. Shenyqua & Tanishka are training hard and pushing their personal limits each week.

We look forward to participating in the Brisbane 30km Kokoda Challenge this weekend, as we continue to teach the kids valuable life lessons that will facilitate their transition into adulthood. We are eager to grow the relationship between the Kokoda Youth Foundation and Tweed River High School in a bid to have more students participate in the future".





YEAR 10 COASTAL MANAGEMENT GEOG EXCURSION

Yr 10 Geography students participated in a mandatory Coastal Management fieldwork excursion on the 31st May. The students visited the sand pumping bypass, Fingal Headland, Point Danger and Kingscliff.

Students were assessed on their research skills of observation, field sketching, recording and their knowledge of direction and bearings.

Mrs Ryan





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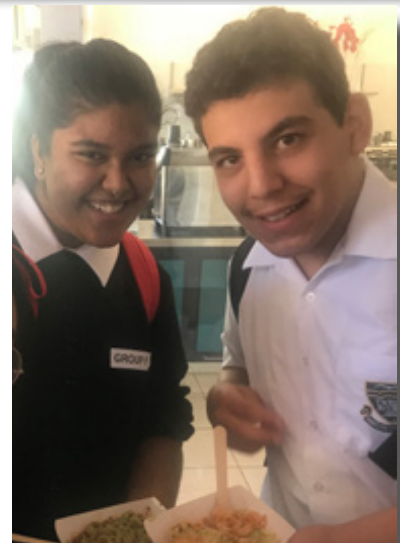
TAFE YES PROGRAM

Students aged 15-19yrs are given an opportunity to try out what TAFE have on offer in a one term program. This 'Good Will' program allows students to experience the requirements and setting of an area of interest within the TAFE setting. TAFE provides this opportunity at no cost to students or the school and has shown to be successful in engaging students who may not have considered future pathways. Many thanks to TAFE for this for this great gesture. *Mr Troy Williams, Careers Advisor*



TAFE TASTER DAY

Students in Year 11 were able to explore future study options with a quick taste of what may be expected in a number of study areas within TAFE. It was an opportunity for students to try out practical skills, take in important information regarding future employment projections in various industries and where those skills and qualifications can take them in terms of extended study. *Mr Troy Williams, Careers Advisor*



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ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The Annual TRHS Athletics Carnival was held on Monday 27 May with some great races throughout the day and exceptional performances in a number of field events. Well done to Jasmin Morrissey and Jace Thomas who won the School Age Championship Race. Novelty events were run by the SRC, with a few people finishing with egg on their face.

The final House Championship Points for the day were: 1st Boyd 927, 2nd Morgan 705, 3rd McGregor 553, and 4th Burgess 430.

ATHELTICS AGE CHAMPIONS 2019

Age	Gender	Name	House
12	F	Skyla Keski-Nummi	Morgan
12	M	Kale Nelson	Morgan
13	F	Maddison Morton	Boyd
13	M	Tristian Wright	Morgan
14	F	Layla McShane	Boyd
14	M	Jack Robinson	Morgan
15	F	Ulani Nelson	Morgan
15	M	Cody Douglas	McGregor
16	F	Jasmin Morrissey	Boyd
16	M	Jacob Moore	Boyd
17+	F	Tarah Smith	Morgan
17+	M	Jack Andrews	Boyd





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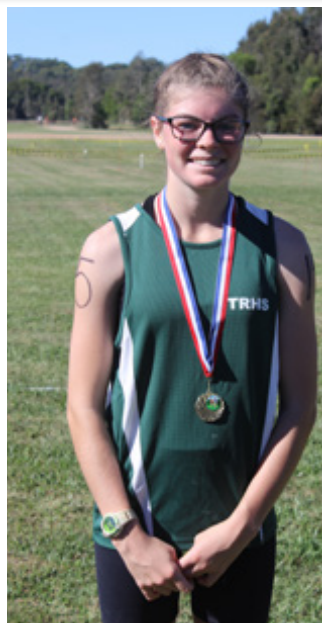
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FAR NORTH COAST CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to the students who represented TRHS at the FNC Cross Country Carnival in North Byron on Friday 31 May. We had 3 students win their event and become FNC Age Champions for 2019 - Kara Pease, Jack Andrews and Ulani Nelson. Well done team! *Mrs Goldstone.*





FAR NORTH COAST CROSS COUNTRY





FANTASTIC ACHIEVEMENT FOR THE UNIVERSITY SHIELD OPEN'S RUGBY LEAGUE TEAM!

Well done to our University Shield Opens Rugby League side who travelled to Coffs Harbour on Friday the 31st of May for the North Coast Regional Knockout Finals. They won against both Melville HS and Macksville HS and now progress to the Top 20 in the state. What a fantastic achievement! The team now have a long trip away for their next round. If there are any local clubs or companies that could help sponsor this trip please contact Mrs Goldstone or Mr Fugar at the school.



MOVEMENT HEALTH & FITNESS



Students attending the Movement Health & Fitness Gym on Monday during Sport with ex TRHS student Mitchell Williams as their coach.



FAR NORTH COAST DANCE FESTIVAL

Far North Coast Dance Festival proved to be a great success. Students performed at the HOTA on the 3rd of June in an evening show for both the junior and senior ensembles. Our senior students were encouraged to enter their item in the State Dance Festival held later this year in Sydney. The girls were simply stunning and their performances were outstanding. Well done Tweed River High School!

Ms Rachel Cupitt, PDHPE





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SPORT REPORT

Greater Northern Rugby League - NSWCHS Championships

Well done to Tim Johannssen (Year 12) who represented the Greater Northern Rugby League side at the NSWCHS Championships in Week 5 in Toronto, NSW. It is a wonderful achievement to make this team, students are selected from schools between Tweed Heads and Newcastle. He has been scouted by professional rugby league clubs during the trial



Tim Johannssen - NSWCHS Rugby League

Open Boys & Girls Touch Football

On Thursday 23 May, our Open Boys and Girls Touch Football teams played Alstonville HS in the state knockout competition. Both teams came away winners, with the girls showing a dominant display by winning 5-2 and the boys ending up in a drop off 8-7. Our teams will now play Sydney teams for a place in the State Knockout Finals. Well done!





LIBRARY NEWS

GREEN TEAM NEWS



Our wonderful team has been discussing ways to promote **Plastic Free July**. We are organising volunteer students during the two weeks of school in July to help in the canteen and finding ways to advertise the program. Thank you to all the amazing students who join me regularly on Thursday (Week B) at recess to discuss these matters.



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School crest depicting the school colours of the time

Do you remember this school song?

**** Tweed River High School 60th Anniversary is in 2021 ****

Do you have any recollections of the early years of Tweed River High School?

We would love to hear your stories!

Tweed River High School

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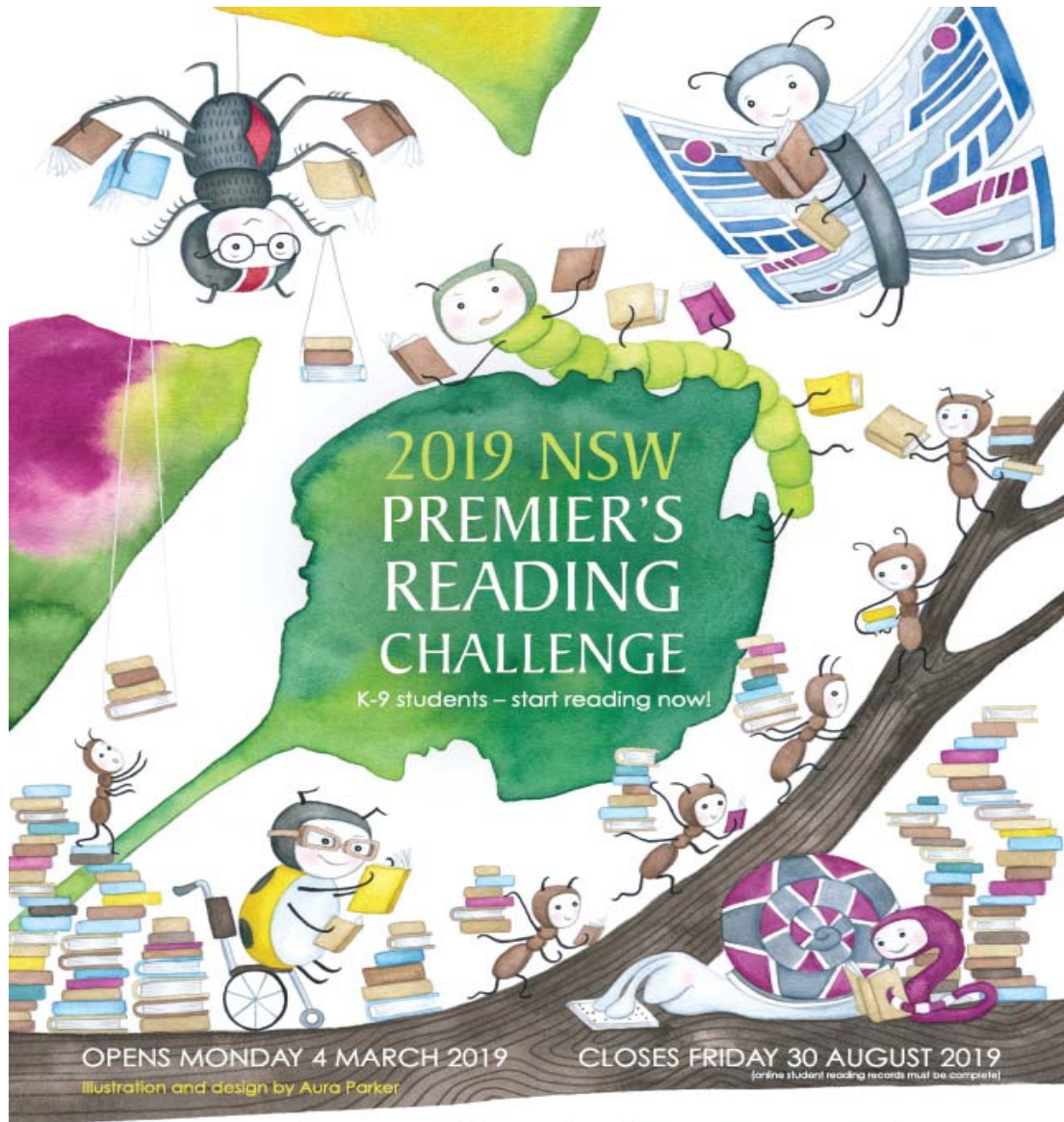
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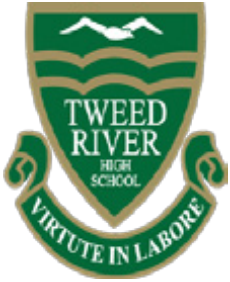
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COMMUNITY NEWS



TWEED RIVER HIGH SCHOOL

HOMEWORK CENTRE



EVERY WEDS (DURING TERM TIME)
2.30PM - 3.30PM IN 'R' BLOCK
AFTERNOON TEA PROVIDED



BRONCO'S GIRLS ACADEMY IN COLLABORATION WITH AIME TUTORING SQUADS HOLD
A HOMEWORK CENTRE EVERY WEDNESDAY. STUDENTS ARE WELCOME TO COME ALONG
FOR SUPPORT WITH ONE-ON-ONE TUTORS FOR ASSIGNMENTS AND HOMEWORK.

FREE DENTAL FOR ALL CHILDREN AGED UNDER 18

Available at NSW Health public dental clinics in Tweed Heads, Pottsville, Byron Bay, Ballina,
Goonellabah (Lismore), Casino, Nimbin, Coraki, Yamba and Grafton

Call 1300 651 625 to book a visit for your child



COMMUNITY NEWS

ACTIVATE INCLUSION SPORTS DAYS



A FUN AND INCLUSIVE DAY OF SPORT TO TRY!



FOR PHYSICAL, SENSORY &
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Monday 17th June 2019

10am - 1pm

Tweed Heads PCYC

Florence & Adelaide Streets, Tweed Heads

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Discover Engineering Ballina

A free forum for all high school students
interested in learning about
engineering as a career choice

- Why be an engineer?
- What do engineers do?
- What is it like to study engineering?
- How do you become an engineer?

Discover Engineering provides the opportunity for high school students interested in an exciting career in engineering to hear real life experiences from young engineers across the various engineering disciplines who will share their career path and practical first hand knowledge. University representatives will also be available to advise on course information.

Thursday 27 June 2019, 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Ballina Byron Islander Resort
1 Ronan Place, Ballina
Enquiries: 02 4911 7310

This is a free event. Light refreshments will be served, registration is essential for catering purposes.



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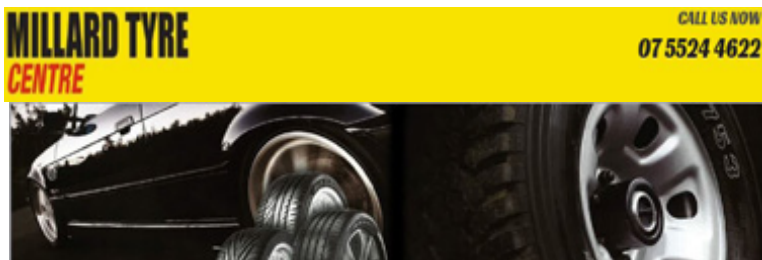
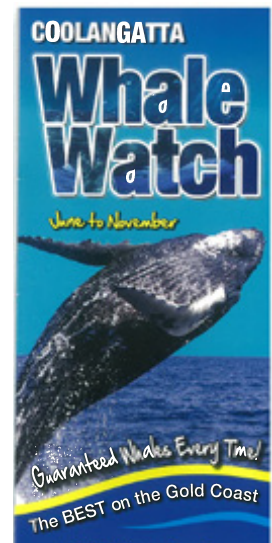
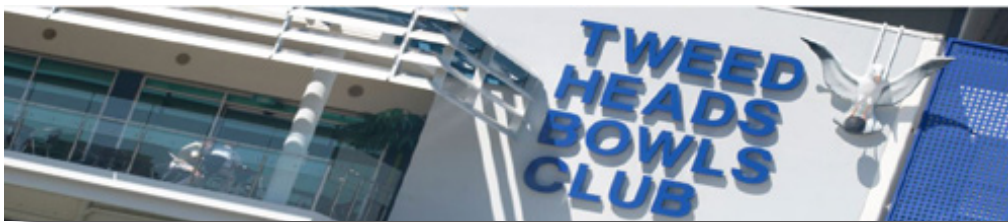




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