

# NEWSLETTER

Friday 27 October 2023, Term 4 Week 3

## SENIOR EXECUTIVE REPORT

The final Term is now underway, and we are pleased to find ourselves operating out of the new facilities for Technology, Construction, Hospitality, Music and our Business Hub. These specialist facilities are part of the Vocational Education and Training Hub that the NSW Government committed to in 2018-19. These facilities will provide state of the art resourcing for students as they explore and commit to the experiences, opportunities and challenges of a wide range of courses leading into careers and employment.

The HSC is in full swing. Work has begun on the development of the timetable for 2024. We will be in the fortunate position in 2024 to be able to fund additional courses in areas of student interest, allowing the school to provide for a broader range of choice for students Stage 6. Students commencing HSC study in 2024 will have the opportunity to graduate from school in 2025 with a HSC and the benefits of a Certificate 3 in Assistant Dance Teaching or Music Industry. Or they may choose a Certificate 2 in Hospitality Cookery delivered in the new commercial kitchen facilities. These courses are available in addition to the wide range courses already being delivered for our senior students.

Term 4 is also the time when the school commences the planning for the programs being delivered in the coming year, scoping learning content, embedding data analysis of work in 2023 into forecasting costs, staffing and preparing budgets to resource these programs. It is vital that families advise the school of their plans for 2024 so that these tasks can be completed with some accuracy.

Staff from Wellbeing and Learning Support are visiting our Primary Schools network, introducing themselves to our Year 7 cohort for 2024 and gathering data from schools to ensure transitions for these students is as smooth and it can be, and that they are being supported in the best way as they commence their educational journey with us. Literacy and numeracy remain a strong focus in the coming year along with attendance. Students can only achieve and grasp the wide range of academic, social and sporting opportunities the school offers if they are here to engage with them. We recently recognised and celebrated those students in our school who make that commitment to be here, and in every class, every day.

We acknowledge the Nganduwal/Minjungbal people of the Bundjalung nation, who are the traditional custodians of this land.

We also pay our respect to the Elders, both past and present, for they hold the memories, the traditions and the culture for future Indigenous Australians.

We extend that respect to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.



## SENIOR EXECUTIVE REPORT Cont...

The school wants to acknowledge the support parents have given to the school, with the implementation of the State government's ban on mobile phones in NSW schools. The decision to place the responsibility for taking charge of securing phones and complying with the policy on students rather than locking phone away has been, in the main, taken up well by students and supported by families. The initial feedback from students "so far" is that, "it is a good thing", that, "they don't need to worry about it during the day and can focus more on their class work". Staff have noticed an increase in groups of students engaging more in conversations and discussions around the school and participating more in physical activity in the playground during breaks. The policy of "off and away all day" continues and we appreciate your continued support on this. Parents can always contact the school on 07 5524 3007 where necessary, to send messages to their child via the office.

Our student leadership development continues with Peer Support training happening again with our aspiring Year 9 leaders. We are looking forward to welcoming Year 5 students into our school in the next week; introducing them to what our high school has to offer as they begin preparing for their final year of Primary schooling and beyond. The talent pool in our school is quite amazing and we are excited to be able to have these young people share their experiences with visitors to our school; and it all starts this term with Orientation Day on November 28th.

#### **Breen Mackney - Deputy Principal**





## Welcome Rikki!

Rikki Bowden is a Pathways Strategy Engagement Officer (PSEO) who will be working collaboratively with the careers team to identify pathway opportunities that support students' post-school transition. Rikki is a trained professional in engagement, careers and youth support with 23 years of experience as a Police Officer, including 10 years in the youth space.

An initiative under the NSW Department of Education's Pathways for Secondary Students Strategy, PSEOs facilitate work exploration, work experience, training, mentoring and employment opportunities in the local community for a range of students to develop their vocational understanding as well as job readiness skills.

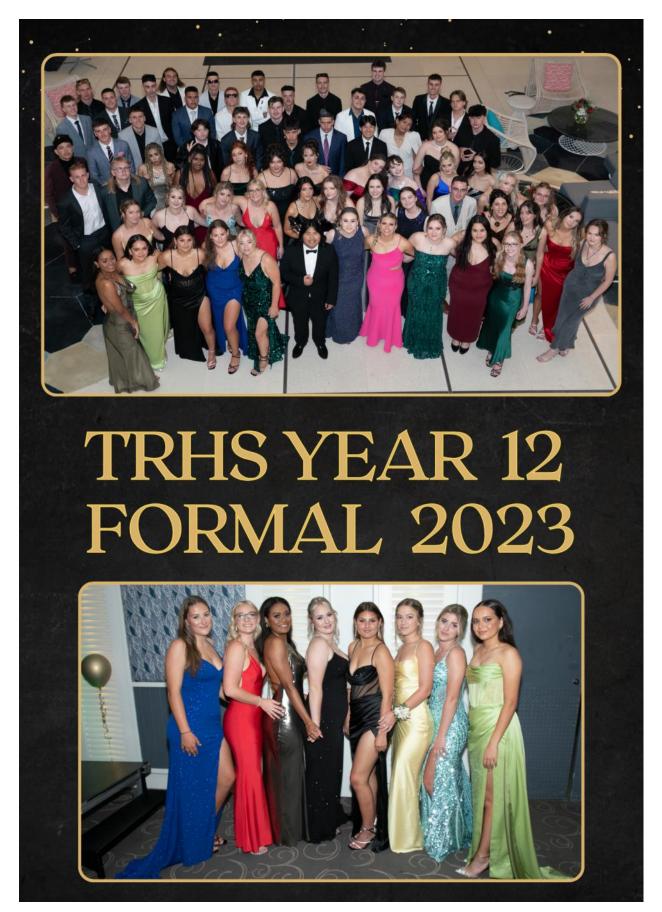
For more information on the Pathways for Secondary Students Strategy, visit: education.nsw.gov.au/secondary-pathways

Contact: rikki.bowden1@det.nsw.edu.au



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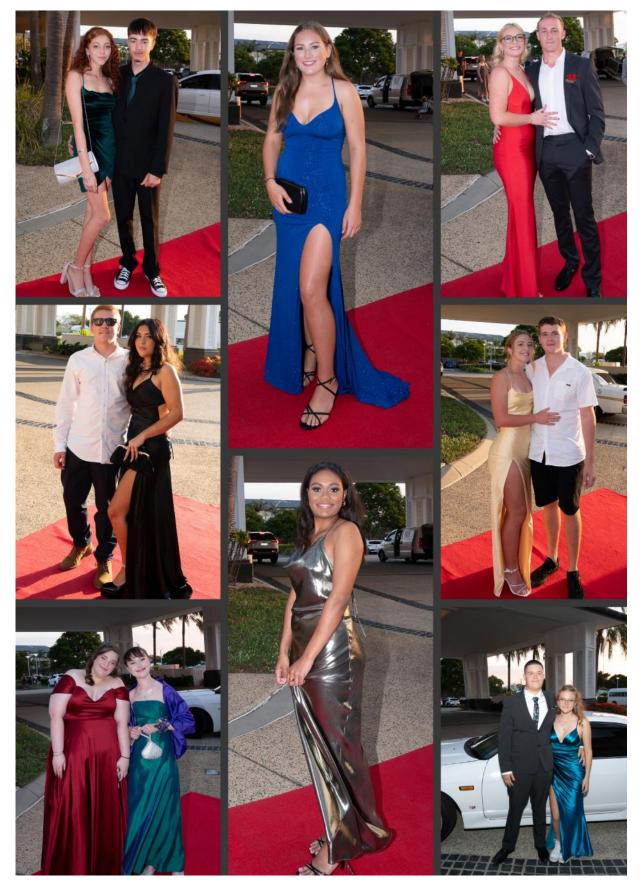




















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#### YEAR 12 PAINTBALL



Last term, our 2023 Year 12 students celebrated the end of their high school career with an unforgettable day of paintball action at Skirmish HQ Gold Coast. Split into teams, Year 12 showcased their teamwork and strategy skills, manoeuvring their way through challenging terrains, hiding behind barricades, and orchestrating surprise attacks. A big shoutout to Mr Eastgate and Mr McGuire for putting their bodies on the line and helping create a wonderful day filled with excitement, laughter, and adventure.

#### AGRICULTURE AND PRIMARY INDUSTRIES

There have been new additions at our farm this term with the birth of two adorable lambs. We now have 5 miniature goats due to the arrival of Gilbert and Sullivan. Our students are bonding well with all our farm animals, with some students learning to lead our goats for upcoming competitions.

Tweed River High has entered this years Murwillumbah Show in the following categories:

- Chickens
- Potatoes
- Miniature Goats
- Eggs

The show will be on from the 3rd to 4th November and some of our students will be attending the show on the 3rd.

The construction of the new infrastructure on the farm is underway and this is exciting news for the ongoing enhancement of courses taught at this facility. There has been an uptake in student interest and enrolments in courses run in conjunction with the farm: exciting times are ahead.

#### Mr Kelleher



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## **EVERYDAY Counts....**

NSW Department of Education

#### Why attendance matters

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

















120 Students with 95%+ attendance for Term 3 were invited to attend a 'Pizza Lunch' held on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October.

Congratulations to our Term 3 winners for the Attendance Draw. Winners included: Nardia Fanning, Brayden Scott and Tyler Sander Swift winning either an iPad, Apple Air pods or a Sonny Bluetooth speaker.

Thank you to parents & carers for encouraging and supporting your child to attend school every day and to make EVERYDAY COUNT.





## LIBRARY NEWS

#### SPOOKY BOOKS

On Monday students will have noticed a new look in the library as we decorate with a horror theme to pay homage to the American Halloween tradition. Horror themes books are on display and students are encouraged to immerse themselves in this genre of writing.



#### OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOKS.

Students are being asked to return all overdue library books. As an inducement we will be holding a weekly raffle where any student who has returned a library book will be in the draw for \$10 canteen voucher prizes. Students are reminded that books not returned to the library will need to be paid for.

Students - KEEP YOUR BOOK REVIEWS COMING.

It's great to see students using the library for activities other than borrowing and reading. During breaks, students are often seen playing chess, board games, card games and a range of other activities. Magic the Gathering seems to be a big hit.

#### Mr Watler

#### **Relieving Teacher Librarian**





#### Beyond the Broncos

Our Beyond the Broncos girl's academy held their Term 4 Rewards Workshop last week where we were joined by Brisbane Broncos ambassadors Ryan James and NRLW star Gayle Broughton.

Students participated in activities such as cultural games and trivia, where some great Broncos prizes were up for grabs. All of our girls were stoked to have our ambassadors come back and facilitate our final workshop for the year, and were all heavily involved in the games and activities which we loved to see.









## **SPORT NEWS**

#### 3x3 Basketball

On Thursday the 19th, twelve of our junior boys travelled down to Byron Bay for the Secondary 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament. Four of our boys played up into the Opens division where they were matched up against several teams who were bigger and older than them. Same goes for our eight boys who played in the under 15's group, where our average age in this group was 13.

These mismatches did not bring our boys down one bit as their resilience, heart and teamwork shone through during each game. The spirit, passion and camaraderie each student displayed as they pushed beyond their limits was commendable. Each team understood the importance of working together, relying on their teammates for support, and strategizing to outsmart their opponents which resulted in a win or two for each of our teams over day. Well done boys!





#### **Beachball Volleyball**

As this newsletter goes to print our U15 and Opens Beach Volleyball teams will be competing at the FNC Gala Day. Mr Doherty and Ms Ryan have been training the teams throughout recess and lunch breaks. Mr Doherty has even been taking his SDP group to practise at Coolangatta beach volleyball courts. We wish you well on the carnival and hopefully we have some great results!



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## SPORT NEWS Cont...

#### **Sports Development Program**

Our sports development program continues to go from strength to strength with students enjoying the extra sessions in Rugby League, Basketball, Volleyball, Dance and Netball. Our end of year camp is fast approaching with 30 places available for students within the SDP program. This camp occurs on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November through to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November and will allow the students to live like an athlete at the Gold Coast High Performance Centre in Southport.

Students have received their SDP shirts for this semester. Please make sure you have paid your SDP fee for the semester. Students may wear this shirt to school each Monday or can alternatively change into this shirt for their SDP session.

Applications of the 2024 SDP program have opened. Places will be limited so please get your application in. Sports that are available will be subject to numbers that are selected for each program.

Please scan the QR code to apply for the 2024 program.



#### **Girls Futsal**

Our U14 girls futsal team has finished 4<sup>th</sup> on the North Coast! They competed at the North Coast Gala Day on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October. The girls won the FNC carnival last term to progress to this level. The competition was fierce and the girls put in a huge effort. Big thankyou to Mr Orr who has been training the girls through recess and lunch breaks for this competition. Well done on your efforts!





## SPORT NEWS Cont...

#### **Sports Coming Up**

- Open Girls Softball Trials November 17th (please see Mr Williams if interested)
- FNC U15 Touch 17<sup>th</sup> November (only students who are 13 or 14 this year are eligible for selection as the winner will continue into 2024 competition)
- FNC Open Volleyball 21st November

#### **Weekly Sport**

Stage 4 and Stage 5 sport is now well and truly underway with some exciting programs on offer. With programs such as Muay Thai, Dance, Touch Football, Lawn Bowls, Learn to Surf, Basketball, Volleyball, Gym and Yoga on offer students have wide variety of choices when it comes to staying active.

New additions to the sport program this term have included our Stage 5 learn to surf program with surf school 'Go Ride a Wave' and Stage 4 students having the option to be part of the Muay Thai Program.

#### Mr Williams

#### **HT PDHPE & Sports Coordinator**









## A message from the TRHS P&C

#### **WE NEED YOU!**

Attention Parents, Carers and Guardians



The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Tweed River High School P&C Committee is scheduled for Wednesday 15th November 2023 from 6pm (NSW time) in the Admin block staffroom. You can attend in person or let us know and attend online.

We invite and encourage you to come along and join the meeting and also join as a P&C member. Membership involves a \$2 golf coin donation at the AGM (please bring correct cash with you on the night). Also, to all current members, please remember your gold coin to sign up for the next year with the committee.

P&C is a great way to connect with other parents, carers and guardians and also the school executive team. You can get to know one another and also find out a lot of information about what is happening at the school. It is a great way to support your children who attend the school and be across all the great initiatives and activities the school has to offer.

There are opportunities to volunteer, when the P&C organise events to raise funds for the school. If you do not wish to become a member you can always put your hand up to volunteer. P&C meetings are only held once a month on a Wednesday night either in person or online, so we are only asking for a small commitment of your time.

We really need to secure more members for the P&C moving forward if you wish for this committee to continue to operate. If numbers do not grow or remain consistent, we may not be able to continue, as we need to meet a quorum for voting and also to keep functioning as a committee, who can assist the school where we can.

I have learnt a lot being part of the P&C this year and met some great people. The school has so much to offer and it's a great way to become involved and support your child in their high school journey.

So, we extend this invitation to you all, hopefully we will see some new faces at our AGM on Wednesday **15 November** from 6pm in the Admin block staff room.

Kind regards

Mandei
P&C President
P&C Committee – TRHS
(Email: tweedriver-hs@pandcaffiliate.org.au)

#### Transport for NSW



## School Student Travel

#### Term 4 2023

#### 2024 school travel applications are now open

Students who need a new or replacement School Opal card or travel pass for 2024 can <u>apply</u> now. A new application will need to be submitted if they are applying for the first time, or if they are requesting an additional travel entitlement because of a new shared parental arrangement (e.g. joint custody).

Students who change address, school, campus location, have repeated a year or received an expiry notification for their school travel entitlement should <u>renew or update</u> their details <u>before</u> the end of term 4. This will ensure that schools can endorse applications, and travel passes remain valid for the start of the 2024 school year. School Opal card holders will have the changes applied to their existing card.

If a student's distance eligibility has changed based on their grade (i.e. grade two to grade three), the system will automatically update their entitlement if they meet the new criteria. If they do not meet the new <u>eligibility criteria</u>, we will send an expiry notification via email.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition that is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

Term Bus Pass holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

Students in the Opal network applying for an Opal card (including a Term Bus Pass) for the first time will receive their Student Opal card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2024.

Students living in rural and regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the start of the new school year from their nominated transport operator. It may come via the school or be sent directly to them at home. **Note**: some R&R operators do not issue travel passes.

Students/parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.



**School Student Travel** 

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#### Changes to your bus service provider

Within Greater Sydney, a number of bus service providers have changed their names.

Parents intending to lodge an application for a School Opal card will need to visit <a href="mailto:transportnsw.info">transportnsw.info</a> trip planner to obtain the correct bus operator name servicing your area prior to lodging an application.

#### Travel from Term 1 2024

We ask that parents plan ahead and make sure their child knows which service/s to use and has a valid ticket to travel; either a School Opal card or Child/Youth Opal card (within Greater Sydney) or a School Travel Pass (outside Greater Sydney), from the start of the school year.

Applications for 2024 School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) travel open at the start of Term 4 2023, so parents/students can <u>apply</u> or <u>update details</u> early and be ready for the start of the new school year.

Most students using the Opal network will not need a new Opal card and can continue travelling on their existing card each year.

The start of the year is a busy period for local transport operators, and students travelling without a valid ticket make service planning and operations difficult.

We recognise that for some families last minute changes to school enrolments mean they may not have a School Opal card or Travel Pass for the start of term. In the Opal network, we strongly encourage these families to have their children travel with a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their <u>local bus operator</u> to discuss their travel needs.

Bus operators are flexible and understanding, particularly at the start of the school year, and will ensure students can travel safely to and from school. But to best support our operators we encourage all students to have a valid ticket, as early as possible, from the start of the school year.

Students using School Opal cards are also reminded that they must tap on and tap off in line with the <u>Student code of conduct</u> and <u>Opal terms of use.</u>

Further information can be found at Plan your trip to school | transportnsw.info

Enquiries can be submitted at <u>Fares</u>, <u>concessions</u>, <u>tickets & top-up feed-back</u> | transportnsw.info





# We are excited to announce our school will be transitioning to an upgraded School Bytes finance system on 7 November 2023!

In preparation for the transition to a simplified finance system for both you and the school, we will be required to implement a short payment lockout period where we will not be able to receive any payments.

#### What this means for you

- No payments can be made online from 9am, Tuesday 31 October 2023.
- Last day to make cash, cheque or EFTPOS payments will at 1pm on Wednesday 1 November 2023.
- We will advise you when payments can resume closer to the above date
- Any existing payment links that have been sent to you previously in emails can still be used after the transition and will automatically redirect to the new system
- We recommend you download the School Bytes Parent App from the <u>App Store</u> or <u>Google Play</u> where you will be able to save your card details to make a secure payment for school events.
- All previous payments made will be migrated to the new School Bytes finance system and portal
- Moving forward, when making a payment online, you will be redirected to a Service NSW page to complete an online payment. This is the new payment platform for online as directed by the NSW Department of Education.
- Payments made online will display as OSCHOOLSONLINE 0000 PARRAMATTA AUS on your bank statements moving forward.

#### What is the School Bytes portal

The School Bytes portal provides flexibility for you to conveniently:

- Make school payments online (including paying for multiple siblings at once)
- Use a family credit to pay for an activity or school contributions
- Download a receipt for payments made
- View all historical payments in one place
- Complete and submit digital permission notes
- View the status of all permission notes
- Request a refund if required

This can be done where you want at any time: day or night.





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#### **Snapper Rocks Visit**

On Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October, we enjoyed a quick sausage sizzle in the room before we headed into Snapper Rocks for an afternoon swim at the famous location. The day was windy & the waves were rolling in but that didn't stop our students & staff from enjoying the beautiful scenery & swim. Well done to all the boys that jumped onboard for the afternoon. Most Monday afternoon activities this term will include some type of swimming, so be sure to put your name down.

#### **Morning Training Update**

Over 17 students have attended a morning training in Term 4 so far. However, the Tweed Academy is aiming to get consistent students to attend and our target is 20 before the end of term. If we reach 20, those boys that attended will earn themselves a special lunch, organised by the Clontarf staff. Across the four sessions this term, we have already played basketball, touch football, soccer, European handball, beach footy & swimming down at Snapper Rocks.

Morning training will occur every **Tuesday** morning from 7:00am, with pick ups starting at 6:00am & every **Friday** morning from 8:00am, with pick up starting at 7:00am. All Academy members are welcome to join in, just talk to staff to put your name on the pickup list. After 45 minutes of training, the boys then sit down for a hot breakfast, before heading off to class before the first bell. Please check the room for weekly updates to the training schedule as it may be affected by Clontarf Camps.

#### **Timezone Visit at Coolangatta**

On Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, we ventured off to Coolangatta for an hour of power afternoon activity at Timezone. The boys enjoyed some loaded hotdogs before piling onto the bus and hitting the road. Upon arriving at Timezone, staff gave each of the boys a lanyard and they were off competing against each other in a huge variety of video games. Plenty of time was spent at the basketball games, connect 4 game, Mario Kart, Punching Bag Machine, Time Crisis, skill testers, Daytona & many more. Before finishing up for the afternoon, Year 9 student, Kapalu Paulson, thanked the Timezone staff on behalf of the group. Afternoon activities will occur each Monday & Wednesday afternoon from 2:30pm – 4:00pm, pop into the Academy room anytime to write your name down on the list. Remember, staff will drop you directly home after any activities! Upcoming afternoon activities include Kingy Creek swim, Term 4 Ping Pong Championships, Golf Driving Range visit, Tweed Kitchen Rules (Clontarf take on My Kitchen Rules) & many more.

#### **Good Bunch Lunch!**

Good bunch lunches will occur in Weeks 3, 6 & 9 of each term. For Term 4, we are inviting all Clon-

tarf Academy students into the room for our lunches, however in 2024 this will be changed to only 100% attenders from the week prior. This means that students need to be at school every day the week prior to earn themselves a delicious, cooked lunch. In Week 3, our first Good Bunch Lunch was whipped up by Cameron and it was coconut curry chicken & rice. Close to 20 students piled into the room to enjoy the feed! Luke is the next Clontarf staff member who will be cooking in week 6 followed by Chris in Week 9.







#### **Upcoming Camps for Term 4**

This term we have a jam-packed term planner with 4 camps happening. In Week 3, our Year 9 & 10 students are off to Brisbane for a 3-day camp to compete in the Brisbane "Employment" Battle, which is an Amazing Race around the Sydney CBD, and camp out in the valley of Mt Crosby. Week 4 will see our Year 11 students head of to the Gold Coast to stay at the Runaway Bay Sporting Complex, play some skirmish & check out the new cinemas at Robina. Week 5 is all about the young lads, and sees the Year 7 & 8 boys heading up to the Sunshine Coast to participate in a Regional Beach Cricket carnival and check out the Ninja Jungle. Finally, our Year 12's will head off in Week 8 for their End of Year trip to Melbourne, where they will have a once in a lifetime experience with a visit to an AFL & NRL club planned, hot laps in a professional rally car, sightseeing tours, surfing & much more. To book your spot on anyone of the camps, keep an eye out on student notices for camp lunches or talk to one of our staff members.

## Cameron Campbell | Director – Tweed River Academy CLONTARF FOUNDATION















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## **PAYMENTS COMING SOON!**





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## TRHS Canteen

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







## Save water to delay restrictions

Following the El Nino declaration by the Bureau of Meteorology and less than average rainfall now forecast for the Northern Rivers, Tweed Shire Council is urging everyone in the Tweed to save water to prolong the shire's water supply.

Without significant rain, the Tweed is heading into water restrictions.

Council is asking everyone who lives, works and plays in the Tweed to unite and save water now.

Level 1 water restrictions for most of the Tweed will be triggered when the Clarrie Hall Dam level drops to 85% full. If each of us is using less than 160 litres of water a day when water restrictions are introduced, we delay the need to impose harsh restrictions during extended dry periods.

Some great water-saving tips for families include cleaning hard outdoor surfaces with a broom not a hose, mulching your garden, keeping your showers to 4 minutes, doing full loads of washing and fixing your water leaks indoors and out.

Go to tweed.nsw.gov.au/water-savings-restrictions for more tips.

In 2020, Council banned water carting from Tyalgum and Uki. Whenever water restrictions are triggered, Council bans water carting from elsewhere in the Tweed to other local government areas.

Council is currently completing planning works for the proposed raising of Clarrie Hall Dam to increase the volume of water that can be stored, securing our water supply in the face of climate change and population growth.









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# REAL FUTURES OVERNMENT PUTURES OVERNMENT PUTURES



Are you 15-24 years old, live in the Northern Rivers and keen to work?

## JOIN YOUTH CONNECT!

- ✓ Get ready for work
- ✓ Connect with employers
- ✓ Write your resume
- Apply for jobs
- ✓ Get your birth certificate
- ✓ Set-up MyGov and your TFN
- ✓ Sit your licence

JOIN OUR INFO SESSION:

#### **TWEED HEADS**

Tweed Heads South Community Centre, 18 Heffron Street

**MON 30 OCT** 

9:30am - 3pm

#### CONTACT:

John Clancy: 0483 135 875 john.clancy@realfutures.net





**COMMUNITY NOTICES** 

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Youth Connect is a partnership between NSW Reconstruction Authority and Real Futures



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#### Parks and Gardens Apprenticeship

Programmed, in partnership with Tweed Shire Council has an exciting opportunity for a 1st Year New Entrant Parks and Garden Apprentices commencing January 2024.

As the largest Council on the north coast of New South Wales, Tweed Shire Council delivers more than 50 services to 94,000 residents over an area of 1303 square kilometres. The Tweed Shire Council mission is to work with community and partners, provide leadership in facilitating and delivering services that manage growth sustainably; create opportunity; and enhance the value of their civic and natural assets for this and future generations.

Programmed are seeking motivated applicants that have a passion for plants, gardening maintenance, landscaping and turf preparation with a strong desire to work in the horticulture – parks and gardens industry and have the drive to commit to a 4 year apprenticeship.

As a full-time Apprentice, you may be eligible to receive a total of \$5,000 in Government incentives under the Australian Apprenticeships Incentive System.

Working as a Horticulture Parks and Gardens Apprentice at Tweed Shire Council may see you completing the following tasks:

- mowing, snipping, brush cutting
- · trimming and hedging
- · mulching and weeding
- · turf preparation
- irrigation work
- spraying
- · planting and tree maintenance
- · plant identification (native and exotic species)
- · work as a team member
- attend safety Toolbox Talks, contribute to the teams safety

#### To be considered you must have the following:

- · competent numeracy and literacy skills
- positive attitude

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- current drivers licence and reliable transport
- · completed year 10 education at a minimum
- General Construction Induction Card (White Card) prior to commencement
- demonstrated enthusiasm for horticulture industry
- demonstrated capacity to work as a team member
- demonstrated capacity to work safely with a zero harm attitude

**Work Location:** The position can be directed to work anywhere within the Tweed Shire however the apprentice will be rotated between 3 main depots located in Tweed Heads, Cabarita and Murwillumbah.

TAFE Requirements: You will also be required to attend TAFE one day per week in Lismore/Alstonville NSW (Wollongbar TAFE). Travel assistance may be applicable through VTAS funding.

Prior to any offer of employment, the preferred applicant will be required to attend a pre-employment medical which will include passing a drug and alcohol screen.

Don't miss the chance to kick start your career!

Scan the QR Code for more information or visit the link to apply

Applications close 6th November 2023





Friday 27 October 2023, Term 4 Week 3





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