Who’s In Charge?

What a fortnight it has been. Numerous events and school visits have resulted in a blur of daily activity here at Riverside. Our great team of staff and students have represented us well in professional development functions, promotional events, Townsville Shire Council initiatives, fun days, interschool carnivals and Big Worships. Not to mention that our annual school photos are tomorrow, too! Time to take a breath...

Conquering.

I’m reading the Old Testament books of the minor prophets at the moment and ‘conquering’ was a big part of those times. These were the years leading up to the captivity of the Hebrews by the Babylonians and, eventually, a few empires later, the time of Jesus, when Rome ruled the (known) world.

What have you conquered lately? A bad habit? Wasting your day on things that really don’t matter? Guilt? Your temper? Maltesers?

Sometimes we conquer ourselves by chasing the unachievable, risking the important, and sacrificing the essential for the comfortable. Sometimes we need to conquer what deserves to be defeated and we lose the courage and put down our swords.

Back to the Bible! The prophets of God were receiving consistent and dependable messages which they delivered to God’s people. Delivering the Lord’s advice resulted in pain, imprisonment and, more often than not from what I have read, death. This was good advice too. Which made me wonder what messages God has been sending His people in 2015. What does He want me know know? What can He do, that I’m not allowing Him to?

What are you challenged by? Where is your soul’s enemy attacking? How is your family, your parenting, your dream for the future under threat from an unwanted conquerer? Take these words from the New Testament and roll them around in your mind this week...

“Yet in all these things we are more than conquerers through Him who loved us.”

(Romans 8:37)

Who needs a sword when we have a powerful Friend! Have a successful and victorious week.

Ian Humphries

DONT LET EVIL CONQUER YOU, BUT CONQUER EVIL BY DOING GOOD. {ROMANS 12:21 NEW LIVING TRANSLATION}
NOTICES:

School Photos Are Tomorrow

We look forward to seeing all students looking smart in their full formal uniform including white socks and black leather shoes. Girls, you may wear black, blue or white hair pieces. Photos will begin at 8:50am.

Student Banking Setup Day

Following on from our banking information day a couple of weeks ago, we are ready to setup the bank accounts for students. Kandise and Co from the Queensland Country Credit Union will be up in the library this Friday between 2-3:30pm to assist with the opening of the accounts and to answer any questions you may have. You will need your Driver’s Licence and a birth certificates for each child. Just a bit of trivia to help your child see the possibilities. If they save just $14 a week, that’s $2 a day, at 5% interest they will have $9440 in 10 years’ time. Every Friday, students will be able to bring their savings to school and bank it here at the office.

School Fee Accounts

Most families have already finalised Term 1 fees, and we would like to say a big thank you for that! The remaining fee statements will go home on Monday, leaving just two weeks of school to clear outstanding amounts. Please ensure your account is finalised by next Friday, March 27.

Home & School Meeting

Our next meeting is this Monday, March 23. It is happening up in the Library at 3:15. Your input is definitely welcome.

Nits

It is that time of year again. Please check and treat your child’s hair immediately. Untreated, mass infestation can occur rapidly.

Tuckshop

We are planning to have the tuckshop up and running for 2 days a week from the start of Term 2. If you can spare 4 hours a week, 2 hours on 2 mornings between 9:30-11:30, we are seeking your help as a volunteer. The days are negotiable. Please see Mr Humphries in the office if you are able to help.

Weet-Bix Kids Tryathlon

Kids, you can register online for the Tryathlon coming up at Riverway on the Sunday May 3. Let’s get Riverside into action and make a day of it!


Look at those smiles!! Congratulations to our RACS Swimming Age Champions for 2015. Well done guys.

These students also went on to compete in the Interschool Carnival where they proudly represented RACS and defended our plaque which we have won 3 out of the last 4 years.

See your prep class photos in the Prep Classes 2015 lift-out.

Only in the Townsville Bulletin Friday, March 20
STUDENTS OF THE WEEK:

**Prep/1**

Hunter Kawana - for sharing and being a friendly student.
Mark Lambayong - for improvement in reading

**2/3/4 Class**

Isaac Dawes - for excellent work in Maths.
Jakob Glendinnning - for creative design solutions in technology and working hard in reading.

**5/6 Class**

Sharree Feaks - for being a helpful and considerate class member.
Ary Jalaleddine - for representing Riverside in a positive way.

**Principals Award**

Pierre Jayme (absent) - for great team spirit and willing involvement at swimming carnival.
Lissin Anil - for showing genuine kindness and leadership in the playground.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- **MARCH 19TH**
  - SCHOOL PHOTOS

- **MARCH 20TH**
  - KIDS BANK ACCOUNT SETUP

- **MARCH 23RD**
  - H & S MEETING

- **APRIL 2ND**
  - LAST DAY TERM 1

- **APRIL 20TH**
  - FIRST DAY TERM 2