

A Redlander For Life!

Congratulations Sean and we look forward to your leadership, guidance and positive impact on our Redlands Community.

Redlanders Alumni Association President, Natalie
Davies (Riches, RL 1987)

To recognise the contribution made by Alumni not only to the School, but to the wider community

We extend a special invitation to members of our **Redlander Parent community and any Grandparent Alumni** who have students currently attending Redlands to gather at the Alumni Café at **1.30pm**.

"We are excited to be able to welcome all Alumni back on campus as part of this vibrant Redlands community event. Please join us at the Alumni Café in the new Fahl Garden – drop in for a coffee and a chat or if you have a little bit of time, why not help in the café. Please email alumni@redlands.nsw.edu.au with your preferred time slot." Natalie Davies, President of the Redlander Alumni Association.

From our Archives: the 'Redlands Fair'

The history of our 'Autumn' Spring Fair goes all the way back to 1893 when it was referred to as 'The School Bazaar'. This inaugural event raised funds for the yet to be built North Shore Hospital and 50 pounds was raised, equivalent to \$9000 at the time, when the number of students was no more than 50.

In the early 1900s the re-named 'Garden Fete' raised money for hospitals, including the newly opened Royal North Shore Hospital.

In 1915 it was the 'Australia Day Fete', and in 1919 'The Old Girls' Fete' raised money for the Children's Hospital.

By 1932 the Fete was supporting the Old Girls' Union Bursary Fund, and in 1934 the Old Girls gifted a domestic Science Room in Liggins Building plus another bursary.

Victoria Chapter

We are thrilled to invite Redlanders from around Victoria to join us to share stories and enjoy a drink and refreshments together.

Date: **Thursday 23 February**

Time: **5.30pm**

Place: **The Arbory Afloat**, 2 Flinders Walk,
Melbourne

UK Chapter

Pauline Lyle-Smith, Redlander 1963 has kindly offered to open up her residence in London and welcome other Redlanders who reside in the UK, to an evening with complimentary drinks & refreshments.

Date: **Wednesday 8 March**

Time: **6pm - 8pm**

Place: **Central London** (address to be shared
upon RSVP)

USA / Canada Chapter

We warmly welcome all Redlanders currently residing in North America to join us for our regular Chapter Zoom meeting. Connect with others living across the US and Canada, from New York, to Toronto, to LA, to Montreal to Finlay Ohio and more!!

Date:

Platinum Luncheon

Honouring those past students who attended Redlands more than 50 years ago from the Classes of 1945 to 1973. This event will launch a celebration of 100 years since the Liggins Building was opened and we will celebrate the 50 year reunion of the Class of 1973 and 60 year reunion of the Class of 1963.

Date: **Wednesday 3 May**

Time: **11.45am – 2.45pm**

Place: **Redlands Hall**, Senior Campus

Canberra Chapter

Last year at the Inaugural Canberra Chapter meeting at ANU, several Redlanders came together for drinks with

We will continue to raise funds for this Appeal throughout 2023.

To learn more about this means-tested Scholarship please visit - [here](#)

Thank you to all members of our community who contributed to the Appeal so far!

2023 Redlander Alumni Awards – Nominations OPEN

Our Community is still buzzing with inspiration and excitement following the extraordinary success of the Inaugural Redlander Alumni Awards last year where we recognised and celebrated the outstanding achievements of past students. You can read more about the 2022 Awards program [here](#).

We are thrilled to open Nominations for the 2023 Alumni Awards Program. You can learn more [here](#) and we strongly encourage everyone to nominate those worthy of these prestigious awards.



Nominate Now

Donations of Memorabilia

Redlanders have always supported the school helping to create a powerful Culture of Giving which reflects our values and our motto. Giving comes in many forms: 'time, talent and treasure'.

Special thanks this month to **Jane Marks (RL 1978)**, who commenced at Redlands in Kindergarten in 1966. Jane has generously donated many items of uniform including her gorgeous belt purse used for carrying a bus pass or a few coins, along with hat, gloves and other items.

Jane visited the school over the holiday period with a bundle of much sought after Lux Magazines which will be used to remember and explore Redlands history and used at events such as Reunions. **Thank you, Jane!**

If you would like to read about Redlands' rich and fascinating history, why not take a look at the wonderful content developed by our Archives Department led by Archivist Marguerite Gillezeau on the School website.



ALUMNI UPDATES

Performing on Broadway, Amelia Cormack (RL1997)

We are thrilled to share that Amelia Cormack, a truly 'multigenerational' Redlander, is performing in 'Hadestown' at the Walter Kerr Theatre on Broadway! Hadestown is the Winner of eight 2019 Tony Awards, including Best Musical and the 2020 Grammy Award for Best Musical Theatre Album.

Amelia is a New York based singer, actor, musician, voice over artist and songwriter.

She was an original Diva in Priscilla, Queen of the Desert The Musical, and performed the role in Australia and New Zealand for nearly 2 years, then went on to reprise the role on London's West End.

She has toured the US with Kinky Boots, Les Misérables and Come From Away, and originated the role of Raven Johnson in Douglas Lyons and Ethan Pakchar's, Beau.



But that's not all. Amelia's family leave behind an important legacy at the school. Her mother and aunts are all Redlanders, and her grandfather, Basil Phillips, even attended the school as a young boy and it was his ancestors' family home, built in 1883, that became 'the College' in October 1899. The property had '*extensive grounds and excellent accommodation for boarders*'. The school officially took the name 'College for Girls, Redlands' at this time.

We are very proud of you Amelia and wish you the very best with your upcoming performances!

Redlands Gap Year Student, Iris Buisman (RL 2022)

Environment Captain, Duke of Edinburgh Captain

I came to Redlands in Year 8 after having lived in Singapore and The Netherlands, and quickly realised how special this school is. At Redlands I found a community that celebrates and loves the diversity of the people around us, treats others with kindness and endlessly supports each other.

Being at Redlands was such a wonderful experience - I loved all the opportunities to be involved with the school community, be it performing as Ginger Spice at the Senior Music Festival, playing in the Division 1 hockey finals, or running a fundraiser for the WWF. Being a part of the annual musical and spending time with lots of different year groups was incredible, and I think it always encapsulated just what makes Redlands so special - a place where everybody, no matter your role, was loved and supported - it always felt like a family, which was incredibly special.

The opportunity to work in Junior School is something for which I am grateful! From my subject teachers' steadfast determination to help us all through Year 12 academically to the care taken by the pastoral team in looking after our mental health, I have great respect for the important role teachers play in our lives as students. Having this opportunity to explore what it's like on 'the other side' has already been very rewarding.

In July I am moving back to Europe, to start my undergraduate degree in The Netherlands at a University College in either Amsterdam or The Hague, studying liberal arts with a dual focus on Political Economics and English literature. I've always wanted to make a positive difference in the world, and after being able to do so on a small scale at school as Environment Captain, I would now like to take a more global approach, for which I believe my time at Redlands has set me up very well, for which I am so grateful.



Employment Opportunities at Redlands

Looking for your next teaching opportunity in 2023?

Non-teaching roles also available!

Please contact the Redlands HR department hr@redlands.nsw.edu.au or 9968 9853.

More information about current employment opportunities is available [here](#)

Please contact us at alumni@redlands.nsw.edu.au with your news, achievements or any other initiatives you would like to share about yourself or fellow Redlanders.

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