Parramatta High School
“Richies”

Issuing
Richies are given to students by teachers for “doing the right thing” outside of the classroom, ie following our expectations in the non-classroom settings. They may be issued to students lining up correctly in the canteen, putting rubbish in the bin, playing appropriately in the playground, walking down the correct side of the corridor. There is no limit to how many that can be handed out and teachers are encouraged to catch students doing the right thing. Teachers are asked to sign the Ritchies that they have handed out. Our existing Merit System is to be used for academic performance.

Prefects are also empowered to hand them out and when we are focusing on a particular area, teachers are encouraged to hand out more than usual in that area.

Recording
Students are told to write their name and roll call class on the back of their Richie and then hand it to their roll call teacher. The office staff take them out of the rolls and record them against the students name in roll call groups. The Richies are placed in a box. Students who have received 5 Richies have their name recorded so they can receive a regular School Merit Award. This is a different color to the normal Merit but is of the same value.

Prizes and Rewards
Each week or so, the PBL co-coordinator collects the Ritchies that have been handed in and a draw is conducted by the School Captains at Assembly for a prize. Students who have received 5 Richies have their name mentioned in the School Newsletter. The number of Richies received by each roll call is tallied each term and the winning roll call receives a Pizza lunch. It is planned to phase these prizes out over a period of time.