



20th March 2018

Principals Report

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL APPOINTED:

Mr Spyve has filled our deputy principal role for some time in an acting capacity.

Recently the Department of Education (DOE) decided to make the position permanent following Mrs Howard's move to Gracemere State School.

After consideration of a number of factors, Mrs Justine Finter has been appointed to our deputy position.

Mrs Finter will commence work here in July, following the winter vacation period.

Mrs Finter has been deputy principal at The Hall State School for some time. She brings a wealth of knowledge, experience and skills to Allenstown with her. I congratulate Mrs Finter on her appointment.

I also acknowledge, and thank Mr Spyve for the hard work and effort that he has put into the job over the last twelve or so months. He has very capably performed the duties of our deputy principal and has made valuable contributions to the progress of the school.

Mr Spyve will return to his classroom after the winter vacation.

ONLINE BULLYING:

[This is the next in a series of articles about Bullying:](#)

Also known as cyberbullying.

This is carried out through the internet or mobile devices. It can happen to anyone, anytime and can leave people feeling unsafe and distressed.

Types of Behaviour in Online Bullying:

- Sending insults or threats

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- Posting unkind messages or inappropriate images on social network sites
- Excluding others from online chats or communications
- Inappropriate image tagging
- Sharing someone's personal or embarrassing information online
- Creating hate sites or starting exclusion campaigns
- Sharing unflattering images or private images
- Assuming another person's identity and representing them in a negative manner
- Repeatedly, for no strategic reason, attacking players in online gaming

For this to be called bullying, inappropriate actions online must be between people who have ongoing contact and be part of a pattern of repeated behaviours.

How Online Bullying is Different:

- It can be invasive and difficult to escape – it can happen at all hours
- It can involve harmful material becoming widely spread and rapidly sent to a large audience
- It can provide the bully with a sense of distance from their victim so there is a lack of feedback or consequence

These differences should not distract people from the fact that online bullying is essentially the same as bullying in person.

PARADE OF EXCELLENCE:

This [Friday \(23rd March\)](#) our parade will focus on the excellence of our students throughout the first term of 2018.

Many awards will be presented (in each classroom group) for students who have shown excellence in specific areas. Parents are most welcome to attend.

NEW AWARDS – FIRST RECIPIENTS:

On last week's parade we presented a range of new (and old) awards to classes or students who have shown great performance.

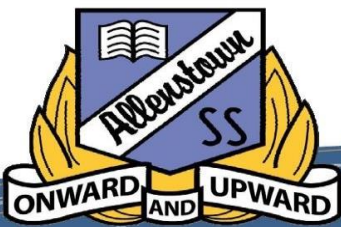
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The awards are known as:

- **The Golden Goggles** – for the HPE class of the week;
- **The Golden Guitar** – for the Music class of the week;
- **The Golden Chair** – for the class with the highest attendance rate for the week;
- **The Golden Fortune Cat** – for the best LOTE student (or class) for the week.

Last week's winning classes (or students) were:

- **Prep F** – Golden Goggles
- **6S** – Golden Guitar
- **5F** – Golden Chair
- **Matari Parsons** – Golden Fortune Cat

The winning classes or students hold the trophies for a week and return them to the following parade.

POSITIVE PLAY PALS:

A great new addition is coming to our playground.

Mrs Wyland is working with our school's student leaders to develop a Positive Play Pals program.

This will involve the student leaders, during one of their lunch times each week, organising and running some sport and games activities for students from Prep > Year 2.

The younger students will be able to participate in some organised and supervised activities each day at first break.

The older students will develop their leadership skills (and patience) by helping out others.

Great idea Mrs Wyland – thank you for your commitment to our school.

HOLIDAYS APPROACHING:

The Easter vacation period is rapidly approaching. Thursday 29th March is the last day of term and 30th March is Good Friday.

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Allies Sports Report

Interschool Sport Results from Friday 16th March

OZ TAG Results

Boys Team defeated Frenchville 3	5-2
Girls Team defeated Rton Grammar Black	12-0
Mixed Team 1 drew with Crescent Lagoon 1	5-5
Mixed Team 2 lost to The Hall	4-7
Mixed Team 3 defeated Crescent Lagoon Blue	8-0

SOCCKER Results

Allies 1 defeated Crescent Lagoon Red	8-3
Allies 2 defeated Crescent Lagoon Blue	4-2

Friday 23rd March Sports Draw – not available

Other News

YEAR 6 CAMP DEPOSIT DUE

Students wanting to attend the Year 6 Camp this year need to pay a **\$50 non-refundable deposit** to the office **by Friday 23rd March 2018** to ensure their place on camp.



EASTER HAT PARADE

All students from Prep to Year 2 are invited to participate in the 2018 Easter Hat Parade. It will be held on Thursday 29th March at 9.00am in the Hall.

Parents, Carers and extended family are more than welcome to come along and support this special event.



The P & C Annual General Meeting is fast approaching and all positions will be vacant. The P & C is always looking for new faces as a casual volunteer or an official volunteer. Please consider nominating for any of the positions available or just becoming a P & C member. Follow our Facebook page for upcoming meeting dates. Children do better when parents/caregivers are involved. Our P & C has an important job to do and we would love you to be a part of it. P & C is an essential part of the school. Everyone is most welcome.

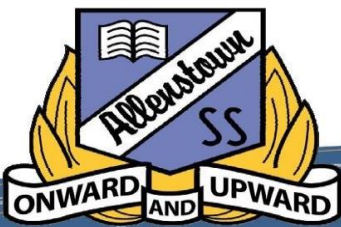
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MY FIRST YEAR 2018 – PREP PHOTOS

Don't miss your free copy in the Morning Bulletin this Wednesday 21st March 2018.

It's a milestone like no other when your child starts their first year of school. Celebrate this special time with My First Year 2018, an exclusive lift out packed with photos of our region's Prep classes. It's a keepsake you'll treasure for years to come.



PLAYGROUP

The first steps to Lifelong Learning

We have 2 more weeks of playgroup before Easter holidays and numbers are growing each week. As the numbers grow our little people are growing in confidence too. Mums, dads and grandparents are enjoying a supportive network, while we sing and have tea parties together.

We welcome all families with little ones, 0 – 4 to join us. Bring a hat, water bottle and wear clothes that you don't mind getting messy! A fruit snack is provided and a gold coin donation would be greatly appreciated. Looking forward to seeing you, Terry and Kim.



FLU VACCINATIONS

Influenza or as it's commonly known as "The Flu" is a highly contagious virus that can affect the entire body. It's easily spreadable and is contagious up to 3 days even before symptoms appear, giving the virus opportunity to be passed on to others through normal everyday contact. Symptoms can last up to 2 weeks.

Being vaccinated is the most effective way to help the body strengthen its immunity against infection and prevent contracting the influenza virus and passing it on to others. Book your flu vaccination appointment before "The Flu" season is upon us.

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Upcoming Events

DATE	DETAILS	VENUE
Every Wed	Play Group 8.45-10.45am	I Block Allenstown SS
23 Mar	Parade of Excellence	Allenstown SS Hall
23 Mar	Year 6 Camp \$50 Deposit due	Allenstown SS
28 Mar	Cookie Dough delivery	TBA
29 Mar	Easter Hat Parade Prep to Year 2	Allenstown SS Hall 9.00am
29 Mar	Last day of Term 1	Allenstown SS
16 Apr	Student Free Day	NO SCHOOL
17 Apr	Term 2 commences	Allenstown SS
29 Jun	Year 6 Camp \$200 payment due	Allenstown SS
10 Aug	School Photos	Allenstown SS
21 Sep	Year 6 Camp Final payment due	Allenstown SS
12-16 Nov	Year 6 Camp	Brisbane-various venues

REMINDERS:

Advice of Non Return for Term 2, 2018.

If you have students from Prep to Year 6 who will not be returning to Allenstown in Term 2 (for whatever reason) it would be beneficial for us to be advised of this. You can confidentially advise this information directly to Mr Spyve or myself by phoning the office.

LOST PROPERTY

If your child has lost an item, please check Lost Property situated downstairs in B Block. If each item is

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named, it makes it much easier to find its owner. If items are not collected by the last day of this term, anything left in Lost Property will be donated to charity.

EASTER HOLIDAYS

Last day of Term 1	Thursday 29 Mar
Good Friday (Public Holiday)	Friday 30 Mar
Easter Monday (Public Holiday)	Monday 2 Apr
Student Free Day	Monday 16 Apr
Term 2 Commences	Tuesday 17 Apr

Community News

FREE Puppet Shows for you under 5

Don't miss these colourful and fun puppet shows:

Wednesday 28 March | 6pm | Rockhampton Regional Library (Pyjama Party!)

Thursday 29 March | 10am | Gracemere Library

Thursday 29 March | 4pm | Mount Morgan School of Arts



CapriConRockhampton

KIDSCON

Part of Rockhampton Regional Library's event CapriCon - Steampunk and Pop Culture Convention

7 April 2018 | 9am - 4pm
Rockhampton Regional Library | **FREE** entry

Storytime with Jay Laga'aia at 9.30am | DIY Puppet Theatre
Face Painting | Amusement Rides | Autograph Signings
Kids Costume Competition | Free Balloon Characters | Photobooth



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ROCKY RIVER RUN

The 7 Rocky River Run raises funds to address youth mental health issues and the prevention of youth suicide as well as supporting young families that need to travel to Brisbane for life saving surgery and treatment that is not available in Central Queensland. This will be the 10th year the Rocky River Run has been held and in doing so has raised over \$250,000 along the way.

The 7 Rocky River Run is being held on Sunday 27th May 2018 and this year schools have the opportunity to compete and can win \$500-\$1000. There is also a prize for the team with the most people registered to run. For more details go to 7rockyriverrun.com.au or their Facebook page.



DENTAL CLINIC

The dental clinic at Allenstown State School is open from Monday to Thursday each week.

All enquiries - Ph 49 222 673.

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Stressed about back to school costs?

Would \$500 help pay for uniforms, books, excursions, tutoring, a laptop or tablet?

Saver Plus matches your savings for school costs, dollar for dollar, up to \$500!

You may eligible if:

- you have a Health Care or a Pensioner Concession card and,
- you or your partner have some regular income from work such as full-time, part-time, casual or seasonal work.

Contact Kathy Connaughton
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