

# NEWSLETTER

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21<sup>st</sup> August 2018

## Principal's News

### **GRAND FINALISTS:**

The big story of the week is our Year 6 Rugby League team playing in the 6B Grand Final.

We now know that we are facing Crescent Lagoon in this game. It will be played at 11.30am on Friday at Browne Park.

Parents are welcome to come along as supporters. Our Year 5 & 6 sport students should receive a separate note today about joining a supporter's bus to attend the game. I wish Mr Spyve the coach and the team the very best for the game.

I would also like to publicly acknowledge and thank Mr Troy Walsh who has informally helped the team out at many games. Troy has been unofficial 'water boy' and has helped the team and Mr Spyve out happily and enthusiastically. Thanks Troy!!

### **NAPLAN:**

I am expecting the 2018 NAPLAN reports back at school very soon. They will be sent home as soon as they arrive.

I will be attending some sessions very soon to investigate the option of doing NAPLAN online in the future. I will be accompanied by a couple of other staff members as we find out all the necessary information to allow us to get ready for future NAPLAN tests.

### **P&C MEETING:**

The P&C meet today at 4.00pm in the school staffroom (admin block). All interested parents should attend. Items to discuss may include:

- Fundraising updates
- Playground option updates
- Discussions around recruiting a new tuckshop convenor
- Other items raised at the meeting

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### **SCHOOL OPINION SURVEY:**

#### **2018 School Opinion Survey closes this Friday**

Don't forget that we are in our annual School Opinion Survey period. Over the last couple of weeks information has been provided to you about how to access this online survey.

It is a very important tool. You can use it to inform us of your opinions about how things are going here at Allenstown. Staff members and students from Years 5 & 6 are also responding to the survey.

### **FACEBOOK FEED FOR INFO:**

Please check our school Facebook feeds daily for updated information about school events and happenings. This is the most instant access we can give you to keep up with what is going on at Allies.

### **PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2019:**

We are now taking enrolments for Prep in 2019. Children entering Prep next year should be born between 1<sup>st</sup> July 2013 and 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014.

Please call the office to get the enrolment forms for your child. Let your friends, relatives and neighbours know also – a reminder is always helpful. The early enrolment of children helps us to make clear decisions about classes for the new school year.

### **DONATIONS TO HELP WITH BREAKFAST:**

Every single morning at school, toast is cooked and provided if students want it. The toast is made with bread donated (mostly) by Brumby's at Allenstown Square. The toast is buttered and spread with either vegemite or a variety of jams. The spreads are sometimes donated but occasionally have to be bought.

You could help to provide a simple but filling breakfast to Allies students each day. Simply donate some butter or margarine and spreads such as vegemite and jams (peanut paste cannot be used due to allergy concerns).

Your generous donations can be left at the office or with the staff in B Block where the toast is made.

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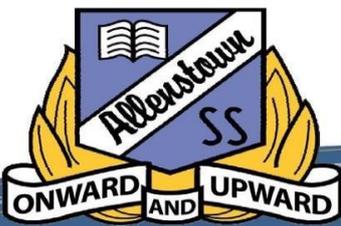
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## OLD UNIFORMS ALWAYS NEEDED:

As your children grow out of uniforms and shoes they can often be recycled and re-used by other families. Please consider sending in to the office any such uniforms that may be at your house.

## Library News

### CBCA Children's Book Week 20-24 August



**Premier's Reading Challenge** – This is the last week for students to complete the Premier's Reading Challenge. Students who have any questions can talk to their class teacher or to Mrs Gill, our school's Premier's Reading Challenge coordinator. For more information visit: <http://education.qld.gov.au/schools/readingchallenge/>



## Tuckshop News

**On 28th of August the Tuckshop goes on line.**

To register, go to the website [www.quickcliq.com.au](http://www.quickcliq.com.au) and enter your child's class details and you're set to go.

Orders need to be in by 9 am for that day, but considering you can order 28 days ahead this shouldn't be a problem.

For those who just like coming in and having a chat with the lovely ladies in the tuckshop, cash sales will still be available at the counter.

If you have any queries, please contact the tuckshop.

## Other News

### ALLIES



#### "ALLIES GOT TALENT" AUDITIONS START SOON

Start practicing your special routine now for "Allies Got Talent". You can go solo, in a small group or a whole class.

Auditions will be held in the lunch breaks this Term on Mondays and Wednesdays in weeks 6, 7 & 8, with the Finals held on Wednesday night 19th September 2018.



#### FATHER'S DAY STALL

Students can purchase gifts at the Father's Day Stall every lunch break during the play time from Monday 20 August until Friday 31 August. The stall is set up in the Green Room behind the library.

Gifts range in price from \$2 to \$8 and money raised goes towards equipment and other resources for students.



School Run4Fun Colour Explosion is a major fundraiser this term so we are asking for your support. The more money we raise the more we can provide for the students through vital school projects, in particular **an update to our playground.**

The School Run4Fun Colour Explosion will be held on September 14 starting at 2.00pm on the oval. Information has been sent home with all the details.

**Only return** the permission form if you **DO NOT** wish your child to participate in the Colour Explosion.

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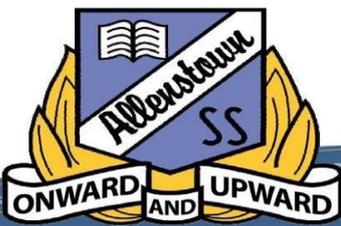
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Allenstown State School  
ALLENSTOWN S.S P&C presents  
Dr M's Quizology

# TRIVIA NIGHT!

Friday  
September 7th

DOORS OPEN AT 6PM, TRIVIA STARTS AT 6.30PM  
\$10 PER HEAD | MUST BE 18 OR OLDER TO ENTER!  
**EAT DRINK & TEASE YOUR BRAIN!**  
Max of 8 players per table  
Drinks, Nibbles & Alcohol available  
Lots of fun  
**AWESOME GAMES & PRIZES!**  
@ SCHOOL HALL, ALLENSTOWN  
Online booking can be made via: <https://www.trybooking.com/414413>  
or registration sheets avail on Allenstown facebook page and the at the Stuckshop.  
For further enquiries contact Kylie on 0414 840 877 or Kelly on 0459 202 186 or email [ktune6@eq.edu.au](mailto:ktune6@eq.edu.au)

## Found

There have been a couple of watches and a pair of reading glasses handed into the office. If you are missing any of these items please check with the office.

## Lost Property

Please ensure all hats, uniforms, coats, lunch boxes, water bottles etc. have your child's name on them. It is easier to return them to the correct owner if items are named correctly. Lost Property is located A Block.

## School Hours are 8.45am to 2.45pm



Did you know your child's best learning time is the start of the school day? That's when every minute counts the most!!!

- **Late Arrival** – Students need to come to the office to obtain a Late Slip before going to class
- **Early Departure** –Should a student need to leave school early for an appointment, **parents/carers are required to come into the office to sign the student out** as the safety of the child cannot be guaranteed if they leave the school grounds unaccompanied. Please do not phone from the carpark and request that children meet you out on the street.

**Students who regularly are late or leave early – how it affects theirs and other students learning...**

- **disruption** in the classroom for all students and the teacher
- **low achievement** in learning

It also creates extra work for office staff and teachers. Please encourage your child to arrive to school on time every day.

**EVERY DAY AND EVERY MINUTE COUNTS**

## Reminders



### "We all have a role to play"

Please observe and follow the correct parking and drop off procedures around the school especially the disabled parking zone in Margaret Street, just near the office.

People with the proper authorised parking permits should be the only ones to use the spaces there. We have a number of families who have a real need (and parking permit) who often cannot access those spaces.

The State Government is considering adding demerit points to penalties for drivers who park illegally in allocated disability spaces.

**"YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY DEPENDS ON EVERYONE DOING THE RIGHT THING"**

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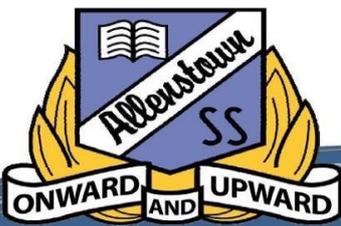
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## Change of Clothes

Please ensure your child has a change of underwear in their school bag each day in case of toileting accidents.

## After School Swimming

This program is scheduled to run in Term 4 for 8 weeks in the Allenstown school pool. A blue note has been sent home to all families. Please complete the form and return it to the office as soon as possible if you would like your child to participate in this program. Places are limited.



## School Photos

If you have any questions or wish to discuss any aspect of your photo day experience with us, we would love to hear your feedback on 4921 3355 or by email at [schoolphotos.cq@msp.com.au](mailto:schoolphotos.cq@msp.com.au)

Keep smiling!!

## Community News



Upcoming Events		
DATE	DETAILS	VENUE
Every Wed	Playgroup 8.45-10.45am	Allenstown SS (I Block)
Every Wed	Step into Prep 12.30pm – 2.30pm	Allenstown SS (I Block)
14 May-24 Aug	Premier's Reading Challenge	Allenstown SS/Home
30 Jul to 24 Aug	Parent Opinion Survey	Allenstown SS
20-24 Aug 21 Aug	Book Week Book Week Parade	Allenstown SS Allenstown SS Hall
22-23 Aug	Combined Schools Concert Workshop	Allenstown SS
7 Sep	Trivia Night 6.30pm	Allenstown SS Hall
14 Sep	Colour Explosion Run4Fun	Allenstown SS Oval
19 Sep	Allies 	Allenstown SS Hall
21 Sep	Year 6 Camp Final payment due	Allenstown SS
21 Sep 8 Oct	Last day – Term 3 First day – Term 4	Allenstown SS
29 Oct	Year 5 Camp Final payment due	Allenstown SS
5-9 Nov	Year 5 Camp	Fairbairn Dam
12-16 Nov	Year 6 Camp	Brisbane-Variou Venues

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