

23 August 2017

Principals Report

CONGRATULATIONS MRS HOWARD:

Last week Mrs Howard was notified that she has successfully won the position of Principal of Gracemere State School.

I offered her the congratulations of the whole Allenstown community on achieving this.

Mrs Howard will simply continue the work she had already started while acting in the position. She will not return to Allenstown.

GOING FORWARD:

At Allenstown the news about Mrs Howard means that Mr Spyve will continue to act as deputy principal up until the end of the school year.

During next term a state-wide recruitment process will be run for a permanently appointed deputy principal. The successful applicant will start at Allenstown in January 2018.

SPORTS CHANGE:

The Year 5 & 6 students will have their final week of Interschool Sports for the 'B' Season on Friday. (The rugby league and netball players are all finished as they did not make the grand finals. Hockey players have a final round of social fixtures.)

The Year 5 & 6 students should have received the letter with details of the final Interschool Sports season of 2017. The sports for next season are basketball, softball, T ball and T20 cricket.

P&C POSTPONED:

Last week's P&C Meeting was postponed due to the unavailability of several executive members. The meeting was due to be held this week (Tuesday 22nd) with the same agenda as previously.

The P&C members will complete their annual asbestos training during the meeting.

SCHOOL OPINION SURVEY:

The annual school opinion survey period has opened. You should have received a blue letter with last week's newsletter, explaining how to respond.

Please take the 5 – 10 minutes that it takes to respond to the survey – we value feedback on our performance.

You are welcome to use a computer at the school if you don't wish to burn up your home data allowance. Please call at the office to arrange this.

The school opinion survey period closes this Friday (25th August).

A WOW EVENT IS COMING!!

We are currently planning a **WOW** event for our very best Allies students.

We acknowledge that many of our students have great attendance and behaviour and are trying their hardest every school day to engage with their education.

It is these students that we intend to target with a really **WOW** reward event – towards the later weeks of next term.

The staff has been preparing the criteria that will be used to determine those students who will be eligible for the **WOW** event. These criteria will be finalised this week and published for students / families.

CLUE: The **WOW** event will definitely NOT be on the school grounds.

Keep your eyes and ears open for more **WOW** details.

DONATION APPRECIATED:

I would like to thank Moltec Pty Ltd for the generous donation they have made towards the **WOW** event mentioned above.

This donation will be used to help pay the costs associated with the event. Again, a big thanks to Mark & Luke from Moltec Pty Ltd (a local air conditioning / electrical company) for their donation.

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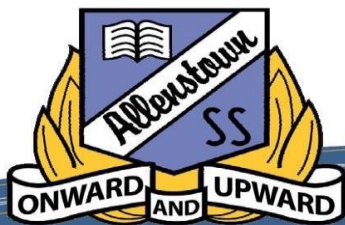
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PREP ENROLMENTS OPEN FOR 2018:

Please encourage anyone you know with Prep aged children to collect enrolment forms as soon as possible.

We already have 28 students 'enrolled' in Prep for next year. Getting our enrolments completed early will help with staff planning for the Prep classes.

If we happened to have enough Prep enrolments to start a third class next year, we would need time to organise a suitable room and resourcing for this. Early notice of your intention to enrol would greatly help.

ALL ENROLMENTS OPEN:

As well as Prep we are also taking enrolments for all other year levels in 2018. Please pass this advice on to anyone you may know who has students to enrol.

Other News

YEAR 6 CAMP

Year 6 Camp is on 13-17 November 2017. The final cost after fundraising is **\$390.00**. A reminder letter was sent home Monday 21 August 2017. Final payment needs to be made to the office by **15 September 2017** for your child to attend camp.

An information session for parents will be held in the library on 11 October at 7pm to discuss any queries you may have about camp.

Final details for Year 5 Camp will be available soon.

Library News

READING NINJAS

Reading Ninja Reading Records need to be completed by parents/carers each night and when finished shown to Mrs Gill in the Library. Once each stage is achieved, students will receive their Ninja dollars. They can then take advantage of the 'pop up shop', which open each Thursday, second break.

If you have any questions about this scheme, or if you child requires a new reading record sheet, please see Mrs Gill in the Library. **Please note: the rule of ONE book title or chapter per date remains the same.**

Sports Draw

Friday 25 August 2017

HOCKEY

Allies 1 v Glenmore 3	Turf 1 @ Kalka Shades	1.00pm
Allies 2 v Rton Grammar 1	Turf 1 @ Kalka Shades	1.20pm
Allies 1 v The Hall 1	Grass 2 @ Kalka Shades	1.40pm
Allies 2 v The Hall 2	Grass 2 @ Kalka Shades	2.00pm

LATE ARRIVALS ARE HAMPERING LEARNING:

Many students are still arriving late for school. Some have arrived up to an hour later than our school starting time of 8.45am.

Students who regularly arrive late to class are missing a vital part of their daily education. They also cause the class to have to backtrack in order to try and 'clue them in' about what is going on in the lesson or learning activity.

PLEASE – work with us to help your child get the most they possibly can from their education. At least in Australia every child can attend school. We need to value that chance and get the children to school **on time every day.**

REMEMBER – EVERY DAY COUNTS!!!



The Woolworths Earn & Learn program is back for 2017. It's easy for parents, grandparents, staff, neighbours, and friends - absolutely anyone - to help Allenstown State School earn amazing resources.

Collect stickers when you shop and place them in the box at Woolworths Allenstown or drop them into the school office.

The competition runs until the end of term but it's **important for us to have them by the last day** so that they can be tallied and sent. With the help of families and friends we are once again hoping to make this a great fundraising event.

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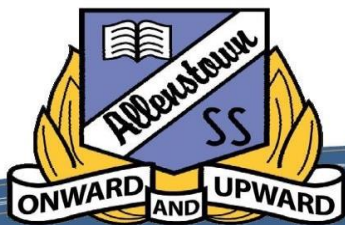
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ALLIES GOT TALENT

Auditions for Allies Got Talent have commenced and the Finals will take place on Wednesday 6th September.

The Finals will be a great night of fun for the whole family with a BBQ, a school fair table, classroom showcase displays, the drawing of our major holiday raffle and a fun night of entertainment.



KEEP US UPDATED

Once again – a reminder to make sure that we have the latest details for your family regarding contact numbers, address, emergency contacts, etc. When students are ill, injured or distressed we need to be confident that we can contact you (or your nominated contact person) as quickly and efficiently as possible



LOST PROPERTY

If your child has lost an item, please check Lost Property situated downstairs in A Block. If each item is named, it makes it much easier to find its owner.

There is also a collection of small items at the office such as jewellery, toys, mobile phones etc. If your child is missing any of these items please check at the office.

P & C News

P & C Fundraising Raffle

1st Prize – 5 night's accommodation for 2 adults and 2 children from a selection of 1st class Rydges Hotels & Resorts throughout Australia and New Zealand.

2nd Prize – iPod Shuffle 2GB

All monies raised will benefit the students and help in maintaining special projects at the school. **Please return all raffle tickets and money to the tuckshop.** Thank you in advance for supporting our major fundraiser for the year.

QLD TERM DATES - 2017		
Term 3	10 Jul – 15 Sep	10 Weeks
Term 4	3 Oct - 8 Dec	10 Weeks

Community News



Berserker Street State School

Better and Brighter Every Day

Berserker Street State School Centenary

Calling all past students and staff of BSSS to come and join in our Centenary Celebrations.

Friday 8th September- School Tours, Displays and Show Case

Saturday 9th September- School Tours, Official Ceremony and Opening of the Time Capsule

Saturday Night 6:00pm- Gala Ball (tickets close Thursday 24th August)

To reserve your Ball Tickets please phone 0491224055
For more information about the Centenary Events go to our school website:

www.berserkerstreetss.eq.edu.au

Find us on **Facebook** or call into the school office to pick up a flyer.



DENTAL CLINIC NEWS

The Dental Clinic is open at Allenstown School and parents are encouraged to take advantage of this cost free service and encourage their children to form healthy dental habits. For any enquiries please phone 49222673.



everyone's family



An initiative of USZ, Brotherhood of St Laurence with Bony Street

If you are interested in receiving \$500 in matched savings, please contact

Kathy Connaughton - Saver Plus Coordinator
0408 490 984 or 49248125

Email - kathy.connaughton@thesmithfamily.com.au

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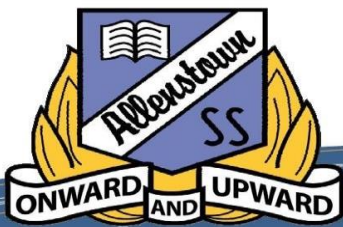
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EARLY YEARS SERVICES EXPO

Find out more about the services that are available in the community to support your little ones as they prepare for school, and in their early years of schooling.

DATE: Thursday the 31st of August, 2017
TIME: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
VENUE: Helen James Performing Arts Centre, Allenstown State School, Caroline Street, Allenstown

- ❖ FREE sausage sizzle for first 50 attendees
- ❖ CHANCE to WIN a PICTURE BOOK PACK
- ❖ FREE Jumping Castle for children under 8 years of age

Services attending include: Rockhampton Regional Council services, National Disability Insurance Agency, Oral Health, Australian Hearing, Autism Qld, Umbrella Network, The Smith Family, CQU Health Clinic, Bidjerdil, Darumbal Community Youth Service, Occupational Therapists, Speech Pathologists, Psychologists, Rockhampton Multicultural Playgroup, Playgroup Qld and more! All in one place and ready to answer your questions!

[Please note that inclusion of non-Government services in this Expo does not imply a recommendation from Education Qld. This Expo is for information sharing purposes only.]

Upcoming Events		
DATE	DETAILS	VENUE
Every Monday	Step into Prep 9-11am	Prep Building
Every Thursday	Prep Transition 12-2.30pm	Prep Building
Every Thursday	Playgroup 8.45am -10.45am	Allenstown SS Hall
19-26 Aug	Book Week	Allenstown SS
6 Aug	Allies Got Talent Finals	Allenstown SS Hall
15 Sep (Fri)	Last day of Term 3	Allenstown SS
2 Oct (Mon)	Public Holiday	Allenstown SS
3 Oct (Tue)	Term 4 Commences	Allenstown SS
11 Oct	Year 6 Camp Parent Meeting 7pm	Allenstown Library
6 -10 November	Year 5 School Camp (approx. \$310)	Balance by 27/10/17
13 -17 November	Year 6 School Camp (\$390)	Balance by 15/09/17

FAMILY FUN DAY!

EMMAUS COLLEGE ENSEMBLE TO PLAY!!



SUNDAY 27th August 2017
9am to 1pm

Adults \$2 (14yrs+), Under 14 FREE
Purrey Steam Tram Rides \$2.50

Ride on the world's only Purrey Steam Tram (operates 10am to 1pm) heritage railway carriages, steam & diesel engine, rail memorabilia, exhibits, live music, market stalls, vintage/Ford/classic cars, lots more. Food on sale!

Archer Park Rail Museum
Denison Street Rockhampton
(between Archer and Cambridge Streets)

Supported by  Managed by Friends of Archer Park Station and Steam Tram Museum Inc.
Archer Park Rail Museum - Denison St Rockhampton
Phone: 4936 8191
Email: archerpark@bigpond.com
<http://www.qldrailheritage.com/archerpark/>



MATER HOSPITAL presents "TEDDY BEAR'S PICNIC 2017"

Roll up, roll up: 10th SEPTEMBER, 9:30am-2pm
Banyan Picnic area, Botanical Gardens

Come dressed in your favourite circus character
Live music, craft, games, bear hunt, Big TED, Teddy Hospital, food, Prizes

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