

NEWSLETTER

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27th November 2018

Principal's News

3 WEEKS TO GO

School officially finishes for this year on Friday 14th December. Over the time we have left please keep an eye on the following list of events and activities:

IMPORTANT DATES

- Thursday 29th November – **P&C Christmas Fair and Concert**
- Monday 3rd December – **Class Lists published for parents** – lists will be available outside the office and near B Block.
- Wednesday 5th December – **High School Orientation morning for Year 6**
- Wednesday 5th December - **Annual Swimming Carnival** (4.00pm start)
- Thursday 6th December – **Year 6 Awards Night**
- Friday 7th December – **Final Parade of Excellence for 2018**
- Friday 7th December – **volunteers morning tea following Parade of Excellence**
- Wednesday 12th December – **Student Report Cards for Semester 2 sent home**
- Wednesday 12th December – **'Classrooms of 2019' visits for all students** (all continuing students spend 1 hour meeting their 2019 teacher and visiting their intended classroom)

As well as these events and activities you may receive notification of specific events for your child's class or year level (e.g. swimming carnivals for Prep > Year 3 classes). Please watch your child's bag for these notifications that may not appear in the newsletter or on Facebook.

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PLANS FOR HOT WEEK

We are very aware of the extremely hot conditions expected during this week.

We will be limiting the amount of time students spend in the direct sun during this week. No play will be allowed on the oval or in other unshaded areas. Students will be offered the opportunity to stay in their cool classrooms instead.

Swimming lessons will proceed and students will be seated in shaded positions when not in the water.

Students who are taking part in any Interschool Sports Grand Finals this Friday will be playing their games early in the day before the heat reaches its maximum.

SOFTBALLERS REACH GRANDFINAL

Our Year 6 girls' softball team have reached the Grand final in the current Interschool Sports Season.

Congratulations to these girls (and Mrs Dow, their coach) on reaching this game. We all wish you good luck in your game against The Hall State School on Friday.

PREP ENROLMENTS FOR 2019:

We are now taking enrolments for Prep in 2019.

Children entering Prep next year should be born between 1st July 2013 and 30th 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.

We are already holding enrolment papers for 37 Preppies in 2019. This is very encouraging.

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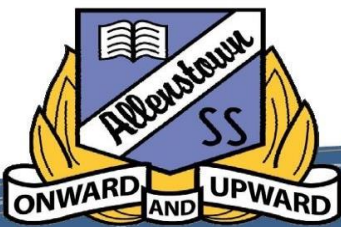
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FAMILIES LEAVING ALLENSTOWN

If you are planning on leaving Allenstown School in 2019 (except for Year 6 students of course) it would be appreciated if you let the office know.

This information is important in helping us to form classes for the new school year. Any information received before the end of the year will be treated confidentially.

THANKS ROTARY

I would like to thank the Rotary Club of Rockhampton. They have donated a new book for each of our Prep students. The books are intended as a Christmas present which may encourage a child to read. These books will be distributed at a suitable time over the final days of school.

NEW WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE

I am currently working on a project to update our school website and Facebook page. This will mean that our digital presence is as current as possible and will bring us into line with the expectations of the Department of Education (DoE).

You will be provided with notice of the exact changeover date as soon as it is available. The new website and Facebook page will completely replace the old ones which will be removed or closed. I also anticipate opening a school Instagram account – more news when this becomes available.

PROOF OF BIRTH

Parents enrolling students in a Queensland State School for the first time (usually in Prep) MUST provide proof of birth. This is best done by bringing a birth certificate or birth extract to the office when lodging enrolment forms.

An enrolment cannot be confirmed or accepted (**children cannot attend school**) until the proof of birth is provided.

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P & C News



P & C Multi-Draw CHRISTMAS RAFFLE



The P & C Multi-draw Christmas Raffle will be drawn this week at the Christmas Concert on **Thursday 29th November 2018**. There are some fantastic prizes to be won.

Raffle Tickets are available from the office so come and grab a book or phone the office to arrange for your child to bring home a book or two. Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00.

Remember to return all tickets by 3.00pm this Thursday. Time is running out to be in the draw for some great Christmas goodies. Thank you to everyone who has donated items for the raffle.

Please help raise funds for all our students by supporting the multi-draw raffle.

Allenstown State School is proud to present our
2018 Christmas Fair
Thursday 29th November 2018
4:00pm Start
We invite everyone to dress in their best Christmas outfits to support our students at our end of year Christmas fair.

There will be Rides, food, stalls, raffles and Christmas Carols, so come and sing along with our staff and students! **RIDES WILL CLOSE WHILE PERFORMANCES ARE ON**

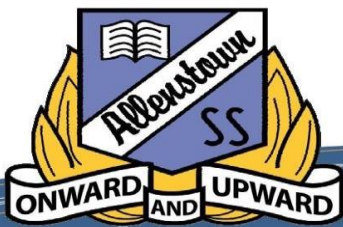
Everyone Welcome
See you there!

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Everyone is welcome to come along for a fun filled night at the Christmas Fair this Thursday.

- BBQ and rides commence at 4.00pm
- Concert commences at 6.00pm sharp

Come dressed in your best Christmas outfits.

Tickets for the rides can be pre-purchased for \$25.00 per person or will be available on the day for \$30.00 per person.

Tickets are available from the Tuckshop – Tuesday to Thursday from 8.30am to 1.30pm or you can purchase them online using the Quickcliq link.



On the night of the Christmas Fair, present your ticket and receive an arm band which will enable you to ride the amusements. Please note the rides will not operate during performances on stage. We look forward to a great evening of fun and Christmas festivities for all the family to enjoy.

Other News

YEAR 6 GRADUATION AND AWARDS EVENING

This important annual event will be held on **Thursday 6th December at 7.00pm** in the hall. Students are to wear full school uniform. The winners of Year 6 awards from the graduation/awards ceremony will be presented to the whole school at the Parade of Excellence the next morning.

PARADE OF EXCELLENCE

The Parade of Excellence for 2018 will be held on **Friday 7th December** in the hall at 8.45am. Awards for students from Prep to Year 5 will be presented on this parade.

Everyone is welcome to come along and celebrate the achievements of all of our talented students at Allenstown and farewell the Year 6 students as they prepare for high school next year.

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VOLUNTEERS MORNING TEA:

Please join us for Morning Tea on **Friday 7th December** following the Parade of Excellence in the hall.

Volunteers have helped in the tuckshop, in the swimming pool, in the classrooms and many other areas of the school. Our Volunteers have provided highly appreciated help during the year and we would like to say a huge Thank You for giving your time so generously.

If you have helped out in any way no matter how big or small, please feel free to come along and enjoy Morning Tea. Please RSVP to the office by Thursday 6th December if you wish to attend. This will assist with catering purposes.



CHRISTMAS STALL 2018

If your child is looking for something for that special person this Christmas, there are some wonderful gifts for all the family to choose from at great prices.

Gifts are available now from the Blue Room during playtime at lunch breaks and prices range from \$1 to \$8. Gifts are on sale until stocks run out. All money raised is used to buy resources for Allies students.



SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The Annual Swimming Carnival will be held on Wednesday 5th December at the Allies Swimming Pool from 4-6pm. Everyone is welcome to attend and cheer on their Sports House (**Phillip, Flinders, Cook, Oxley**)

Reminders

TUCKSHOP CLOSED from 10th December 2018.

The Tuckshop will not be open during the last week of school. Please ensure your child brings lunch to school for the final week of 2018.

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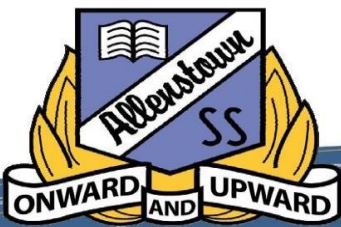
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2019 CLASS LISTS

Class Lists for 2019 will be displayed outside the Office and B block from Monday 3rd December.

DO NO PHOTOGRAPH these lists for confidentiality reasons.

DO NOT CONTACT THE OFFICE asking for this information. It will be displayed at the school.



LOST PROPERTY

Please check Lost Property (situated downstairs A Block). Anything not collected by the end of this term will be donated to charity.

END OF YEAR EVENTS PARKING

As we are approaching the end of the school year there are many events celebrated at the school.

This means there will be more traffic around the school at various times.

Please be mindful when parking that you only park in designated areas and keep local residents driveways clear for them to access.

Your child's safety depends on everyone doing the right thing.



Term 4 - Swimming Timetable

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
8:45 to 9.45am	PF	5F	4/5W	6D	
9.45 to 10.45am	PB	6S		5/6L	4T
11.30 to 12.30pm	3L	1/2H	2W	1C	
1.45 to 2.45pm	P1M	3/4B	3C	2K	



SCHOOL MEDICATION

If your child has any medication (e.g. Tablets, Ventolin Puffer etc.) at the office, please remember to collect it before the end of the school year. If not, any out of date medication will be destroyed.

Community News



ORIENTATION DAY - ROCKHAMPTON STATE HIGH SCHOOL

DATE: 5 DECEMBER 2018

TIME: 8.40AM FOR 9.00AM START

STUDENTS ARE TO BE COLLECTED AT 2.50PM

It is the responsibility of parents/carers to arrange transport to and from the school for this day.



NORTH ROCKHAMPTON STATE HIGH SCHOOL

Enrolments:

Please ring 4924 7888 to arrange an enrolment interview for your Year 6 student.

Uniform Shop:

Opening hours - Monday, Wednesday and Friday 8am - 10am.

Transition Day:

Tuesday 4th December for Year 6 into 7 students, 8.45am-2.30pm at the PAC, Simpson St entrance.

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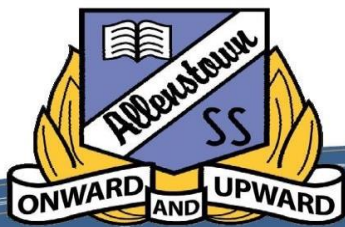
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The Hall State School Part-time Temporary Positions - At Conference on North

Administration Officer

15 hours per week

Canteen Manager

15 flexible hours per week

Conference on North is a site of historical buildings attached to The Hall State School. This centre provides modern conference facilities set amongst beautiful tranquil gardens on the corner of North and West Streets.

We have two temporary part time positions available from 29th January to 13th December 2019. To apply please provide the following information:

- A brief resume including contact details for 2 referees (one of whom should be your current supervisor) and:
- Address the 5 key capabilities in the "How You Will Be Assessed" section of the Role Description in no more than 2 pages.

Further information can be obtained by contacting Rynell Russell on 49248222.

Applications can be submitted to russ20@eq.edu.au or delivered to The Hall State School Administration Office, Bapaume Street, Rockhampton by 3.00pm Friday 30th November, 2018.

2019 School Term Dates

Term	Dates	Length
Term 1	29 January – 5 April	10 Weeks
Term 2	23 April – 28 June	10 Weeks
Term 3	15 July – 20 September	10 Weeks
Term 4	8 October – 13 December	10 Weeks

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Upcoming Events

DATE	DETAILS	VENUE
Every Thurs	Prep Transition 12.30-2.30pm	Allenstown SS
29 Nov	P & C Fair and Christmas Concert	Allenstown SS
3 Dec	2019 Class List Available	Outside Office and B Block
5 Dec	RSHS Orientation	Rton State High School
5 Dec	Swimming Carnival 4-6pm	Allenstown SS Pool
6 Dec	Year 6 Awards Night	Allenstown SS Hall
7 Dec	Parade of Excellence	Allenstown SS Hall
7 Dec	Volunteers Morning Tea (following Parade)	Allenstown SS Hall
12 Dec	Classroom 2019 visits	Allenstown SS
14 Dec	Last day of Term 4 2018	Allenstown SS
29 Jan	First day of Term 1 2019	Allenstown SS

The Smith Family and your family can partner together to help your children reach their educational aspirations.

Learning for Life and your family

Referral is made by your school then The Smith Family staff will contact you and scholarship expectations will be explained. The scholarships are from now until your child reaches Year 12. The amounts you will receive for your child vary according to their year level. Payments are made twice a year. The funds **must be** used to pay for education-related expenses such as school uniforms and shoes, stationery, books, equipment or subject fees, school camps and excursions.

For more information contact Dianne Ph. 0481 905 240.

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