Principal’s Report

Tomorrow’s Zone Swimming Carnival has been postponed due to the severe weather alert in place for the Northern Rivers.

Special Religious Education (SRE), also known as Scripture, is education in the beliefs and practices of an approved religious persuasion by authorised representatives: our volunteer scripture teachers. Scripture teachers have the approval of the Minister for Education to teach SRE. Schools must allow time for SRE, and in periods of time not less than 30 minutes.

Scripture classes will begin on Tuesday 3 March. Please note that there will be no Buddhism classes, and students who attended Buddhism in 2014 will be placed in the available SRE class, unless we are otherwise notified.

It is the responsibility of parents/carers to notify the school, in writing, if they do not wish their child to attend SRE. If your child was already attending Non-Scripture in 2014 there is no need to reconfirm this.

For your interest, General Religious Education (GRE) is different to SRE. It is education about the world’s major religions, what people believe and how that belief affects their lives. GRE is taught through the school curriculum, using NSW’s mandatory syllabus documents.

Our first Friday assembly for 2015 is tomorrow at 11.35. Family and friends are always welcome to attend. The School Captain Induction assembly will be the following week, Friday 27 February, and the SRC Induction assembly on Friday 6 March.

We will be taking part in Schools Clean Up Day on Friday 6 March. There will be more information from our Environmental Education team in the newsletter next week. The team is looking for support and advice around improving our composting systems and regenerating the vegetable gardens. If anyone would like to be involved, please contact Libby McInnes or Nadine Toniello.

Safety Reminder:

- We love having parents, carers and grandparents volunteer in the school. Always sign on at the Office first, collect a badge and then proceed to the classrooms or Canteen.
- When leaving the school in the afternoons, please leave via the gate closest to the administration building, rather than walking through our bus lines.
- The staff car park is not a walkway or car park for parents/carers and children.

Jennifer Thomas
Principal
Cricket Selection Trials
Congratulations to Toby Mumford who has competed at District and FNC Zone Cricket Trials. Toby has now been selected to compete at NC level. He will travel to Sawtell for 8/9th March.

Good luck, Toby.

Julie Woolfe
PSSA Coordinator

District Swimming Carnival
Congratulations to all the students who competed at the Ballina District Carnival last Friday. 14 students have been selected to participate at the FNC Zone Carnival Swimming Carnival in Ballina on Friday 20th February. Good luck tomorrow week!

Thank you to the parents who helped out during the day, with timekeeping, putting tents up and down and getting students to their events.

Brendan Nobbs
PSSA Swimming Coordinator

SRC Induction
Congratulations to our newly elected Student Representative Council (SRC) for Semester 1. SRC students will be presented with their badges in assembly on Friday 6th March 2015. Invitations will be sent home to parents shortly and we welcome you to attend.

Nadine Toniello
SRC Coordinator

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Unfortunately students who have not paid and brought in a permission note for these events will not be able to participate. Please see the school website if you require a permission note.

is available at our school from 8.30am-1pm
Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Our next AGM is scheduled for **Wednesday 4th March @ 7pm**. It costs $1 to become a member which gives you voting rights and the opportunity to stand for various P&C Committee positions. Fees are payable at the Annual General Meeting.

At the AGM all committee positions are declared vacant and paid members vote in a new committee. The committee is made up of the following positions:

**President:** is responsible for the successful functioning of the P&C Association and ensures that the P&C takes part in decision making processes in the school. The President chairs the meetings, fosters fair participation of all members and ensures that all new members feel welcomed. The President represents the P&C and is responsible for liaising with the Principal outside of meetings.

**Two Vice Presidents:** support the President and stand in for the President when required.

**Treasurer:** is responsible for all financial management. The Treasurer is responsible for reporting on all incomes and expenditure at each P&C meeting and is responsible for all funds held and handled by the P&C.

**Secretary:** is responsible for a range of administrative tasks such as preparing minutes and agendas, receiving and tabling correspondence, writing and despatch outgoing correspondence as required and maintaining official records.

We would love to have some new faces on board our committee and hope to see you in March.
Alstonville Wollongbar Fun Run

Have you entered our fun run yet? It’s a great way to help support the P&C to raise fund to support the school. Apart from that it’s a great fun day for family and friends!!

2015 Alstonville Wollongbar Fun Run Challenge will be held on Saturday the 14th of March 2015.

We would also like to thank our wonderful sponsors:
- Wollongbar Pharmacy for the 5km walk
- Summerland House Farm for the 1km Junior Dash
- Summit Sport and Fitness Centre for the 5km run
- Elders Alstonville for the 10km run.

Entries are now being taken online please go to www.alstonvillewollongbarfunrun.com.au or get an entry form from the office.

As well as lots of entries, we need parent volunteers to help marshal during each of the following time slots.

5/10km marshal – 6:30 – 8:15am
5/10km marshal – 8:15 – 10:15am
1km marshal – 7:30 – 8:30am

Please email Catherine Black at wollongbarpc@gmail.com or call or text 0428824626

Uniform Shop

The Uniform shop is open the following dates over the next few weeks Friday 20th February, Friday 27th February and Thursday 5th March 2015 from 8.45am to 9.15am.

News in the Canteen

The canteen is open on both the Monday and Friday of each week. Although we have filled the Fridays with volunteers we would still like to have more volunteers in case someone cannot come on the day. If you are available please contact us as soon as possible.

To all our wonderful volunteers please make sure you do you 100point working with children’s check before your first rostered day on. Thanks 😊
We will be holding the Canteen AGM on Friday 27th February 2015 at 2pm in the staff room. The following positions will become vacant:

- Canteen Coordinator
- Treasurer

If you are interested in taking on these roles please attend the meeting.

The canteen contact details are:
Leigh (Monday/Tuesday) on 0412 716 991 Email: madmods@bigpond.com
Anna (Monday - Friday) on 0410 594 676 Email: madmods@bigpond.com

Thanks,
Anna and Leigh
Canteen Coordinators

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### Canteen

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### P&C Calendar

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Collect tokens in the Northern Star from Saturday 14th February until Monday 16th March

The school with the most tokens per student wins.

Help your children by collecting as many tokens as you can for our school!
The Fun Run is almost here!

The Alstonville Wollongbar Fun Run Challenge is coming up on Saturday 14th March, and we would like EVERYONE to enter. It’s also great practice for the school cross country. Here are the events:

- Elders Alstonville 10km Run
- Summit Fitness 5km Run
- Summerland House Farm 1km Junior Dash
- Wollongbar Pharmacy 5km Walk

The Junior Dash has two age categories: 7 & under and 12 & under. The 5km run also has a 12 & under category.

To encourage everyone to take part, all students who enter will receive **100 HOUSE POINTS**. Let’s see if Cuthbert can win again!

To enter, go to [www.alstonvillewollongbarfunrun.com.au](http://www.alstonvillewollongbarfunrun.com.au) or get an entry form at the school office.

We also need parents to volunteer as marshals on the day at these times:

- 6:30 to 8:15am
- 8:15 to 10:15am
- 7:30 to 8:30am

If you can help, please contact Andrea on 0435930645 or Catherine on 0428824626
SOCCER SIGN ON - ALSTONVILLE FC
All players intending on playing soccer in 2015 are required to register NOW.
All players must first register on "myfootballclub.com" then attend a sign on date run by Alstonville FC.
Sign-On Dates are;
Friday 20th February 2pm - 5pm at Alstonville Plaza.
Saturday 21st February 10am - 2pm at Geoff Watt Oval.
All ages welcome.

Do you love to sing?

Musical Theatre and Youth Choir classes are available with One of Australia’s best music and dance teachers
Class consists of Voice Production & Aural Training, Songs from Stage Musicals, Stage-craft, Drama Skills, Tap dance, Performance Skills, Movement & Dance
*(Parents may join the Body-toning/Dance Skills section from 5.45pm for no charge)

When: Every Friday from 4.30-6.30
Where: Wollongbar Hall. Hall Court off Simpson Ave
Wollongbar
Cost: $15

SPECIAL TUTORING CLASS FOR YEAR 9/10 AND YEAR 11/HSC DANCE CANDIDATES AVAILABLE FOLLOWING CHOIR/MUSICAL THEATRE CLASS at 6.30PM

ENQUIRIES: 0427 061 522 or
Email Miss Jill: jill_43@bigpond.com

Wollongbar Public School P&C and Alstonville High School P&C present the

Alstonville Wollongbar Fun Run Challenge

March 14, 2015
Elders Alstonville 10km Run
Summit Fitness 5km Run
Wollongbar Pharmacy 5km Walk
Summerland House Farm 1km Junior Dash

For more details or to enter online, go to
www.alstonvillewollongbarfunrun.com.au

or pick up an entry form at either school office or at any of the major sponsors below.
All money raised goes to the Wollongbar Public and Alstonville High P&C Associations to help our children.