Busy Start to Term
The first three weeks of Term 3 have been exceptionally busy with Year 12 completing their Trial HSC examinations. One of the more memorable events was the Semester 1 Awards Assembly. I was more than proud of the number of students from each year gaining high accolade for their achievements both academically and on the sporting field. The highest awards were given to those students, in each year, who had at least six “A”s with a percentage of greater than 87%. I congratulate all students on their achievements but make special mention to the “outstanding” students on their awards. Thanks must be given to Ms Kristine Pizarro on her organisation of the assembly and to all staff and students who assisted, especially to those students who performed on the day.

Year 12 Music Performance
Last week saw a group of our Year 12 music students performing at Ballina Fair. I wish to thank all students who represented our school at the highest standard. Many members of the public who enjoyed the performances have contacted the school to comment on their delight and in the talent of our performers. I thank Mr James Ross for his organisation in making certain that all students were prepared, well-practised and confident to perform.

Values
We value and support:
- A positive, healthy and safe learning environment
- Respectful attitudes and actions
- Diversity
- Pursuit of personal excellence
- Service to community
- Team work
- Quality learning and teaching
- Initiative, leadership and self-discipline

Learning
We aspire to be:
- Life-long learners
- Creative and critical thinkers
- Effective communicators
- Skilled in literacy and numeracy
- Independent and organised
- Competent and innovative with technology
- Environmentally, socially and culturally informed
- Caring and compassionate

Values
Our community values integrity in all aspects of life

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Chinese Students Visit
Already one week of the two week visit for the Chinese students has been completed. The students have been involved in many class room visits and Australian cultural experiences. I must once again thank all the Alstonville High School families who have opened up their homes to billet one or two of these Chinese students.
Year 10 Snow Trip
A group of very excited Year 10 students left for their week in the snow last Sunday evening and will be returning very early Saturday morning. I do not envy the distance that they will be travelling on the coaches nor do I actually envy their time on the snow – as I do not like being cold or wet – but I very much envy their opportunity of being able to watch Manly play South Sydney at Brookvale Oval on Friday night.

Year 12 Breakfast and Formal Assembly – Friday 18th September
At our last P&C meeting it was discussed that the very last Friday of this term has been traditionally a breakfast for Year 12 students and their families at a cost of $5 per person. After this breakfast Year 12 students then move into the hall for their final formal farewell assembly. The breakfast has always been organised and run by parents of current Year 11 students as they, with their son/daughter, will have the breakfast in the following year. I am requesting that any parent of a Year 11 student please contact Robynne in the school canteen to offer their assistance and allow this breakfast to continue to be a success as it has been in previous years.

School Elective Fees
Alstonville High School presents a broad range curriculum, especially with the elective areas of Years 9, 10, 11 and 12. For students to take full advantage of these elective courses it is very much an advantage that students pay their elective fees, so that consumables, that only the students will be using, can be purchased. Elective courses lose their appeal and impact when they are presented as demonstration. I am therefore asking that elective course fees be paid so that the full impact of the course can be provided. If for any reason the fee cannot be paid then please do not hesitate in contacting the school office so that alternate arrangements can be made.

Responsible Adult Supervision of Parties
May I provide some advice to all parents and carers. I ask that when your son or daughter asks permission to attend a party on the weekend that a few enquiries are made as to the parental or responsible adult supervision of the party. Questions need to be asked as to provision and supervision of alcohol and how entering and leaving the party will be supervised. Unfortunately the binge drinking of alcohol is becoming an issue in our community, especially at unsupervised or minimally supervised events. Our young people are far too precious that they should be placed into any form of risk.

Parking Restrictions in School Zones
Please be aware that rangers from Ballina Shire are regularly monitoring unlawful parking around our school. To date there have been 12 patrols with 25 offences. The types of offences are: Stopping in Bus Zone and Disobey No Stopping Sign.

Parent Teacher Night – All Years – 13th August – 4pm to 7pm
Our next Parent Teacher Night for all years will be held on Thursday 13th August. The SOB’s (Schools On Line Booking System) is open now for you to make bookings. Go to http://www.sobs.com.au. To make a booking you will need to know the names of your child’s teacher(s). If you would like more information please contact the school.

John Douglas / Principal

Debating
Debating Update Year 7 and 8
Term 3 brings with it the finale of the 7 and 8 regional rounds. In Week 5, Alstonville’s two debating teams will take on two very competitive sides from Kadina. We wish both of our teams the very best of luck. The winning side from this group will progress to the inter-regional final, where last year’s state finalists Norfolk Island will be waiting to meet them.

Year 9 and 10
Unfortunately our Year 9 and 10 team did not make it to the state camp this year. After narrowly losing to Southern Cross School, the Alstonville side could not progress to the camp for a playoff round. Still, the team performed admirably in all of their debates. As previously noted, Lucy Turner and Clare Johns made a seamless transition into the side, and Andrew Entwistle continues to make excellent progress as a 3rd speaker. We all look forward to seeing what he can achieve in the Year 11 and 12 competition next year. Also, special mentions must be given to Ms Adene Patton, Leilani Rohweder and Eamonn Davis who stepped in to assist the team this year. Ms Patton took time out of her busy schedule to attend the Southern Cross debate, and we greatly appreciated her enthusiasm. Leilani will hopefully join the side full time next year, while Eamonn will hope to earn a spot in the Year 11 and 12 team with Andrew. Congratulations on your efforts this year, one and all. As always it is a pleasure to watch you at work.

Scott Thomas / English
Climate Change and Me Workshop
Twelve students from Alstonville High School had the privilege of attending the Climate Change and Me Workshop at Southern Cross University on 31st July 2015. The students from Year 7 and Year 8 were enthusiastic members of this initiative from their primary school years. The whole program of Climate Change and Me was to get students involved in research in different ways and to get them motivated about Climate change and its impact on our society. The work presented by the students was published as a book which will be available for viewing in Lismore library from 18th – 24th September and in Ballina library from 4th to 10th September.

On the day, our students had fun transferring their photos onto wax, which is a technique to preserve memories for over 1300 years.

Anna John / Science

External Science Competitions
As part of the academic extension activities provided at Alstonville High School, students have the opportunity to participate in a number of cross faculty external competitions.

A number of students recently completed the ICAS and Big Science competitions.

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The Science Department at Alstonville High School would like to extend their congratulations to all students involved.

Mrs Amanda Borthwick / Science

Study Skills Seminar Year 11
A study skills seminar has been organised for Year 11 students in Week 7 this term (date to be confirmed). This seminar, to be conducted by Elevate Education, will cost $15 per student and all students are expected to attend.

An information letter/permission form and brochure from the organisation will be sent home to parents within the next week.

Jillian Farrell / Year Adviser

Educating the Community
On Thursday 30th of July, a selection of elective music students participated in an event celebrating education week. The event was held at Ballina Fair, where community members were given the pleasure of witnessing some great talent. There were students from a variety of local schools including Alstonville High School. Our students were professional, respectful and played with pride. Congratulations!

This was a great event, many thanks to our local organiser Dawn Douglas.

Keeping music live and alive.

James Ross / Music

Ten Pin Bowling – NSW President Shield Team
Alstonville High School student Allysha Spence in Year 11 has been selected into the NSW President Shield team. Allysha represented the Youth bowlers over a two day competition in Sydney and had an average of 180. Congratulations and good luck!

Old Lockers for Sale
Alstonville High School has some old lockers for sale. There are nine in stack (3 x 3) for $10 per stack or nearest offer. For more information contact the General Assistant Mr Fowlie at school.

After School HSC Preparation
For the remainder of this semester the Alstonville High School Mathematics faculty will be offering after school tutoring which will supplement in class revision. There will be a focus on exam techniques, which will include students working through past HSC papers (which can be accessed on the library computers). Support will be offered for all levels of Mathematics.

The study sessions will commence Week 4, Thursday 6th August from 4.00pm – 5.30pm. They will continue each Thursday and every second Tuesday (starting Week 6) for the remainder of the term.

Students are to meet in the library with all necessary equipment.

Any questions please direct to Aaron Perkins (Head Teacher Mathematics)

Our school is collecting for Woolworths Earn and Learn
Semester 1 Awards Assembly
CAPA WEEK

Tues 18th August  
5.00 - 6.30pm  
Senior Art Exhibition  
Showcased at: Art Block  
6.30 - 8.30pm  
Senior Music Concert  
Showcased at: Drama Shed

Wed 19th August  
6.30 - 8.30pm  
Senior Drama Performance  
Showcased at: Drama Shed

Thurs 20th August  
7.00 - 9.00pm  
Junior Art, Drama, Music & Textiles (Fashion Show)  
Showcased at: Hall  
Food Available on the night

$2 Entry to all events
P & C News

Thank you to all those who attended the special soup dinner meeting in support of Bruce Fleming's program. It was also a great pleasure to meet the new English Head Teacher, Mrs Jill Brigden.

We were also informed on the new accelerated learning program being implemented by Deputy Principal - Kristine Pizarro.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 26th August starting at 7pm. Meetings are generally concluded by 8pm.

Email address:
If you have any matters that you wish to bring to our attention, and cannot attend the meetings - please send an email to:

alstonvillehs.pc@gmail.com

Look forward to meeting you.

Andrew Philippzig-Mann
P & C President

URGENT CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS -

YEAR 11 PARENTS for

Year 12 Farewell Breakfast

Friday 18th September – Last day of Term 3

Volunteers are needed to help set up, serve from 7am for the traditional Year 12 farewell breakfast.

If you can help, please leave your details with the office or contact the P&C via email:

alstonvillehs.pc@gmail.com
Young Writers Group

Are you an aspiring young writer looking for motivation and inspiration?
Would you like the opportunity to seek advice & guidance from a published author?
The Young Writers Group is for high school students wishing to improve their writing skills.
Join local author Jesse Blackadder for an excursion into the writing world.

When:
- Thursday 20 August
- Thursday 17 September
- Thursday 15 October

Where:
Lismore Library meeting room (ground floor)

What time:
5.00-6.30pm

Light refreshments will be provided. There is no charge to attend, but bookings are essential.
To book your place or gain more information call the library on 66212464.

ThemeParks.com.au
Our School Ticket Sale

Village Roadshow Theme Parks is offering our school community a limited time ticket offer. Simply visit ThemeParks.com.au/promocode and enter our promocode “CRC815” to gain access to these ticket offers.

Richmond Tweed Regional Library
Community Workshops

Wanted
Women Just Like You!

Want to join a group of like-minded women and get involved in your community?
Volunteer with Girl Guides NSW & ACT and help girls grow into confident young women!

Guide Leaders:
- Are women just like you
- Want to make new friends
- Enjoy outdoor adventures
- Want to make a difference in the community
- Gain nationally-recognised leadership & workplace skills

"There is this wonderful feeling you get from being a leader and being a part of a girl’s development."
1300 447 548
www.girlguides-nswact.org.au

Please call Julie Davis for more info:
66287143 / 0414287143
Alstonville Unit meet at Gap Rd Hall, Monday’s 4-6pm
Alstonville High School Newsletter: Issue 12, 5th August, 2015

Alstonville Scouts welcome new Members in 2015

Come and try FREE for up to 4 weeks before joining!

For Girls and Boys of all ages who love adventure and fun.

For Maus and Dads who want their kids to learn important life skills in a safe environment.

Joys Storms: ages 6 to 8 years, Wednesdays: 5.30 to 6.30pm

Cub Storms: ages 8 to 11 years, Wednesdays: 6.30 to 8.00pm

Storms: ages 11 to 15 years, Thursdays: 6.30 to 8.30pm

Ventures: ages 15 to 18 years, Tuesdays 6.30pm-8.30pm

The Alstonville Scout Hall is located at Gap Road, Alstonville.

To find out more, contact:

Troy Davis (Group Leader) Mobile: 0428582973

Learning sign language is fun

Auslan or Australian Sign Language is the language of the Australian deaf community. It’s a unique and rich visual language. Through fluid movements, pictures unfold before your eyes and come to life.

The beginners course is taught by everyday users of Auslan who will share the nuances of this beautiful language in a fun and supportive environment.

You will learn to communicate visually using gestures, body language and facial expressions.

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At only $190 per person, spaces are filling quick!

For more information visit deafsocietynsw.org.au or contact a.mahony@deaf.nsw.edu.au to enrol and for more information.

Go for the Goal

Sign On www.futsalfnc.com.au

ALSTONVILLE

Vinny Leite
0430 046 373
Office 6628 3845

Online registration opens 1st August

Alstonville Leisure & Entertainment Centre
27th Aug & 3rd Sept
4.00pm – 5.30pm

Youth transport for young people 12 – 24 in the Ballina Shire. We can get you where you want to go.

Call Kym on 0404 465 109 to book your trip

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