Year 10

End of Year Handbook

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SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATIONS

All year 10 students will sit the School Certificate Examinations from 7th – 11th November.

Each student has been issued with a booklet from the Board of Studies entitled **2011 School Certificate: Rules and Procedures**.

Students who did not receive this last term, or who have misplaced it, should see Mrs Bowles for a replacement copy.

Alternatively, a copy may be downloaded from the following website:


Please read and re-read this document to ensure that procedures are fully understood.

Make particular note of the following:

- **Course Attendance** - page 6
- **Attendance at Tests** – page 11
- **Conduct during the test** – pages 12 & 13
- **Illness/misadventure during the test** – page 14

**Dates of the tests are:**

**Monday 7th November**
- English – Literacy: 9.20-11.30 am
- Science: 12.50-3.00pm

**Tuesday 8th November**
- Mathematics: 9.25-11.30 am
- Australian History, Geography, Civics and Citizenship: 12.50-3.00pm

All examinations are to be held in the school hall and will be supervised by external supervisors.

Students will be supervised from 11.30 – 12.50 in the Canteen area and JBlock area between the tests on these 2 days.

At 3.00pm on these days students may be collected by parents, or walk home. Students waiting for buses will be supervised in the Canteen area until 3.30pm.
Thursday 10th November
Computing Skills
*Online Test:* 8.00 am – 3.30pm

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When not scheduled for the Computing Skills tests, students are required to be in normal lessons for the remaining 6 periods of the day.

Students who have volunteered to sell badges for **Remembrance Day** on the morning of 10th November and are scheduled for the test at this time, should see Mr Groves to arrange an alternative time later in the day to complete the Computing Skills test.

Students requiring **Special Provisions** for the School Certificate Examinations, should have all arrangements completed. If you have any questions, concerning this, please see Mrs O’Brien or Mrs King.

**Full school uniform must be worn when attending these examinations.**

You are making history in being the last cohort to sit for the School Certificate Examinations so work hard to procure as many of the upper grades for us as possible!
AFTER THE SCHOOL CERTIFICATE

THE OFFICIAL LAST DAY FOR YEAR 10 IS THE 16TH DECEMBER

This is the same last day as for years 7-11.

*If you leave before the last day of year 10 without exemption or approval, you will not be awarded a School Certificate....... Unauthorised early departure from school in year 10 may also jeopardise your entry into Preliminary and HSC courses in Years 11 & 12*  

**Students leaving school must have approval from the Principal and must show evidence of moving into full time employment.**

Students who are approved by the Principal to leave school prior to 16th December may attend the presentation of Awards but are not eligible to participate in the excursion to Dreamworld or the Dinner Dance.  
Please note that school leaving age is 17 years.

In the weeks following the School Certificate Examinations from 14th November to 2nd December, normal mandatory classes will run in every subject. These classes will include preparatory work for Preliminary courses in 2012.

This time period includes compulsory Peer Support Training.

Students will also complete a compulsory course entitled, **HSC: All My Own Work.** Students must complete all modules in this course before beginning of Preliminary & HSC Courses.

**HSC: All My Own Work**

*Higher School Certificate assessment tasks such as independent research projects and major works are likely to be the most challenging learning you will undertake during your time at school. HSC - All My Own Work is a short guide to help you complete your assessment tasks honestly and with confidence.*

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PEER SUPPORT TRAINING

Year 10 students will participate in compulsory training in Peer Support Leadership Skills on Monday 28th November and Tuesday 29th November.

As a result of the training, students will gain a better understanding of themselves and others while increasing their interpersonal skills.

VENUE
Baptist Church Complex, Wardell Road, Alstonville

TRAVEL
Students are to make their own way to & from the venue

REQUIREMENTS
Bring a pen and felt pen, hat & sunscreen

TIME
8.50 am to 3.15 pm each day

DRESS
Casual shorts or jeans, suitable shirt, covered shoes

LUNCHES
Monday; Bring your own including all snacks and drinks
Tuesday; A sausage sizzle and drink will be organised by staff.
Cost is $5 per student and any profits will contribute to your Presentation and Dinner Dance

NO LUNCH PASSES

THE FINAL DATE FOR RETURN OF PERMISSION NOTES AND BBQ PAYMENT IS MONDAY 21ST NOVEMBER

Students are encouraged to come prepared for two very busy and enjoyable days and to participate in a positive and co-operative way.

They will stay at the complex all day, each day.

From all the year 10 students trained, approximately 40 leaders will be selected to be Peer Support leaders for year 6 Orientation Day 2011 and for year 7, 2012. These leaders will work with small groups of year 7 students in a formalised program in terms 1 & 2 in 2012.

Anna John
PEER SUPPORT TRAINING CO-ORDINATOR
YEAR 6 ORIENTATION DAY  
Monday 5th December

Following Peer Support Training, Leaders will be selected to assist with the year 6 Orientation Day and Peer Support sessions scheduled in 2012.

Year 6 orientation Day is to be held on Monday 5th December.

THERE WILL BE A MANDATORY BRIEFING FOR CHOSEN LEADERS ON FRIDAY 2ND DECEMBER IN PREPARATION FOR YEAR 6 ORIENTATION DAY.

Leaders will be required for the whole of this day.

Dress is immaculate school uniform.

Year 10 students who are not selected as Peer Support Leaders may choose to assist the PE department in running the afternoon sporting activities.

This is recommended for students from the year 10 Sport Studies classes.

Interested students should see Mrs Morrow or Mr Larrescy.

All other students are expected to be in class for normal lessons for this day.
TUESDAY 6TH DECEMBER

On Tuesday 6th December attendance is compulsory for all year 10 students.

On this day students will be involved in the following:

- Return of text books
- Payment of outstanding fees
- Financial Literacy seminar
- Careers – Interview techniques
- Student Elevation – Goal Setting
- Compulsory Swim Test and other water activities

RETURN OF TEXT BOOKS & PAYMENT OF OUTSTANDING FEES

Students must return all text books on this day if they have not already done so.

A representative from each faculty which has issued texts will be available to sign off all texts.

All outstanding fees should be paid to the front office on or by this date. To determine what fees are owing, please contact the front office on 6628522 prior to the 6th December.

FINANCIAL LITERACY

Ehrich Staruiala from Sterling Strategies will present a compact seminar to students covering the following:

- Good debt/bad debt
- Management of Credit Cards and Mobile phone plans
- Superannuation and investments
- Car purchase

This seminar is free of charge.

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ELEVATE EDUCATION

Attendance at these seminars is compulsory but they do incur a cost of $20 per student. Students who have difficulty with paying this fee should contact Mr Silcock for assistance.

Student Elevation
Periods 3 & 4 – School Hall – 10.30 – 11.30

Once students know what to do and when to do it, their next challenge is getting motivated to actually get the work done. This seminar examines:

- The role of belief in success
- How to get motivated by setting a compelling goal for the final years
- How to break a goal into a series of short-term actions

Careers – The Interview
Periods 5 & 6 – School Hall – 12.15-1.15

- Interview research and preparation: how to do your homework to ensure that you know about the company and are ready for any question that may be thrown your way
- Rapport skills: the goal of the interviewee is to strike up rapport with their interviewer. Students are introduced to a range of innovative rapport building skills modelled on Neuro-Linguistic Programming
- Interview questioning: students are introduced to a range of common interview questions and shown how to develop exceptional, standout answers
- Post interview skills: students are shown how to follow up an interview and learn from their experiences

SWIM TEST

1.30 -3.30pm

All students will walk to the Alstonville pool at the beginning of lunch.

They will complete a compulsory swim test in preparation for the Dreamworld excursion. Students who do not complete this swim test are ineligible to participate in the Dreamworld excursion.

Following this, a variety of water activities will be run throughout the rest of the afternoon.

Students will return to school in time for buses at 3.30pm.

Pool entry of $3.00 per student is to be paid up front at the office with all other payments for your end of year activities.

Sunscreen, hats, swimmers and towels are required.
DREAMWORLD

Year 10 students are invited to participate in an excursion to Dreamworld on Wednesday 7th December.

The bookings have been made for 100 students. Any expansion of this number is dependent on numbers, prompt payment and the availability of coaches.

COST: is $60 per student which includes bus fare and an entry pass to both Dreamworld and White Water World.

The final date for payment is MONDAY 21st NOVEMBER.

SUPERVISION: Mr Colnan and a minimum of 5 other staff with current First Aid and CPR training

DRESS:
- Neat casual
- Covered shoes
- NO SINGLET TOPS
- Hats and sunscreen
- Swimmers & towel

FOOD: Students are to take their own lunch or take money to purchase.

TIME: Coaches will leave at 9.00 am and return by 6.30 pm

TRAVEL: Simes Brothers Coaches

PREREQUISITES: Students attending this excursion must complete the compulsory swim test scheduled for December 6th.

Students who are currently on discipline cards are not eligible to attend unless approved by Mr Silcock or Mr Grebert.

BEHAVIOUR: Students are reminded that any inappropriate behaviour on this excursion may jeopardise the receipt of their school certificate and their attendance at any future activities.

STUDENTS NOT ATTENDING THIS EXCURSION AND WHO NEED TO BE AT SCHOOL ON THIS DAY WILL BE PROVIDED WITH ALTERNATIVE ACTIVITIES.
PRESENTATION & DINNER DANCE

The year 10 Presentation & Dinner Dance will be held in the school hall on Thursday 8th December from 5.30 pm – 9.30pm.

- Arrival/photos – 5.30 pm.
- Presentation – 6.00 – 7.00 pm
- Dinner & Dance – 7.00 – 9.30 pm

**Presentation:**

Attendance at the Presentation of Certificates and Awards is compulsory for all year 10 students to receive School Certificates and Reports.

Parents and friends are invited to attend this part of the evening.

**Dinner Dance:**

The Dinner Dance will follow the Presentation and is exclusively for Alstonville High School Year 10 students and supervising staff.

**DRESS:** for year 10 students is Formal.

**COST:** per students for the Dinner Dance is $35, which covers the cost of catering, party hire, decorations and security.

**THE FINAL DATE FOR TICKET PURCHASE IS MONDAY 21st NOVEMBER.**

**ADMISSION:** By ticket only, purchased from the front office

Students will need to be collected by parents at 9.30 pm.

Any activities held after this time are the responsibility of parents and are not condoned or recommended by the school or the NSW Police Department due to the risks involved.

**THE FOLLOWING DAY IS A NORMAL SCHOOL DAY FOR ALL YEAR 10 STUDENTS.**

Students other than those setting up for the evening, are not required to be at school on this day.
**SENIOR TASTER**

Friday 9\(^{th}\), Monday 12\(^{th}\) and Tuesday 13\(^{th}\) December are normal school days for all year 10 students.

On these days, students will be given a sample year 11 timetable and will attend classes according to their elective lines.

Students will be provided with vital information and lesson material which may not be repeated in 2012 so it is in the best interests of all students to attend these days.

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**SENIOR UNIFORM**

It is lovely to see how grown up year 10 students appear when wearing their white polo shirts.

Senior uniforms can be purchased from the uniform shop as follows:

- From the start of term 4 the Uniform Shop will be open three days per week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 8.00am to 10.00am.
- There will be some changes to the senior girls’ blouse and one design of senior girls’ skirt incorporating our school logo.
- We are also introducing a new junior polo shirt and the school sports shirt for both boys and girls.
- Examples of the new uniform are now on display in the front foyer of the school.

When purchasing senior uniforms, please note that **THERE ARE NO ALTERNATIVES.**

Uniforms MUST be purchased from the Uniform Shop.
END OF YEAR ACTIVITIES

Year 10 students are invited to participate in the end of year activities on 14th & 15th December.

Wednesday 14th December: Evans River

Thursday 15th December: Ballina Movies and Waterslide

These activities are not exclusive to year 10 and details for permission and payments will be made available closer to the time.

A WORD FROM MRS BOWLES

Please ensure that you read the details in this handbook carefully and that you understand for which activities attendance is compulsory.

A considerable amount of work has gone into preparing these for you and your compliance is greatly appreciated.

Please get involved in any activities which contribute to fundraising for your Presentation and Dinner Dance as this may be the last one provided by the school and we want to make it one to remember.

Complete the permission note overleaf and tick all the activities in which you will participate including the total payment.

THE FINAL DATE FOR ALL PAYMENTS AND RETURN OF PERMISSION NOTES IS MONDAY 21ST NOVEMBER which gives you 3 weeks from the receipt of this handbook.

Best wishes in your School Certificate Examinations. Make the most of the opportunities on offer

MY MOBILE NO. to be used on the day of any excursion off the school site.

Mrs Colleen Bowles
Year 10 Advisor 2011

0415 557 154
Desiderata

Go placidly amid the noise and haste and remember what peace there may be in silence. As far as possible, without surrender, be on good terms with all persons. Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even the dull and ignorant; they too have their story. Avoid loud and aggressive persons, they are vexatious to the spirit. If you compare yourself with others, you may become bitter or vain, for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself.

Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans. Keep interested in your own career, however humble; it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time. Exercise caution in your business affairs; for the world is full of trickery. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high ideals; and everywhere life is full of heroism. Be yourself. Especially, do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment it is perennial as the grass.

Take kindly the counsel of the years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth. Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with imaginings.

Many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness. Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself. You are a child of the universe, no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here. And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should. Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be, and whatever your labors and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life keep peace with your soul.

With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be cheerful. Strive to be happy.
YEAR 10 FINAL ACTIVITIES

Permission Note

Please detach and return with payment.

I hereby consent for my student ........................................... of year 10 and roll........... to participate in activities for year 10. He/She will be participating in the following:

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I have read and understood the requirements of each activity.

Student’s Signature:

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Student’s Mobile No. to be with them on any excursions which are not on the school site.

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Parent/Carer Name (Please print)

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Parent/Carer Contact No.

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Parent/Carer Signature

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Date

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MEDICAL DETAILS

Specific Medical Condition: (Provide Details)

Asthma                                              Epilepsy                                                   Other (specify below)
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Medication: ..............................................................................................................................
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Food Requirements: ...................................................................................................................
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Allergies: .................................................................................................................................
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In relation to the proposed water or swimming activities, I advise that my child is a: *(please tick one)*

❑ Strong Swimmer        ❑ Average Swimmer        ❑ Poor Swimmer       ❑ Non-Swimmer

I advise that my child requires the following floatation device to assist him/her in the water:
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I undertake to provide this device so that my child can participate in the excursion: Yes / No

I authorize the teachers accompanying the excursion to call medical assistance if my child becomes ill.       : Yes / No

Medicare No: .............................................................................................................................

Health Fund: .............................................................................................................................

Ambulance Cover in Queensland

At the present time there is no agreement between NSW and Queensland to provide ambulance cover for NSW students on excursions in Queensland. Parents are advised to check their private health cover to determine if it provides this specific cover. If this is not provided, parents may wish to arrange it for the duration of the excursion. If there is no ambulance cover and your child needs an ambulance on the day in Queensland the full cost of transport will be charged.