# Alstonville High School Newsletter

Developing future citizens and leaders of the community – life long learning!

**Cawley Close Alstonville** 

Phone: (02) 6628 5222 Fax: (02) 6628 1223 Web: alstonvill-h.schools.nsw.gov.au Email: alstonvill-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

ALSTONVILLE

19 December 2018

Issue 19

### Alstonville High School

Our community values integrity in all aspects of life

#### 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 selfdiscipline

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



### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

#### **2019**

29 January	Tuesday	Term 1 First day Staff
30 January	Wednesday	Term 1 First day Year 7, 11 and 12
31 January	Thursday	Term 1 First day Year 8, 9 and 10
6 February	Wednesday	Alstonville High School Swimming Carnival
8 February	Friday	Whole school photos
15 February	Friday	Catch up school photos

**2018** – what a year! Our students will be going to Space camp in America next year. We have wins in sport, public speaking, debating, Science and Engineering Challenge, Schools Spectacular, Youth of the Year, community service ... the list goes on and on. Our year 12 has achieved some terrific HSC results. Our school has moved up the rankings by nearly 80 places to 208, replicating similar growth in 2017. 48% of our students achieved results in the top 20% of the state. Importantly our students 7 to 12 achieved similar results in our awards of excellence with nearly 50% of our students achieving awards of excellence. Our student behaviour data has also improved by 44% and our 7 to 9 NAPLAN growth data was very strong.

These results are just a small snapshot of the success achieved by our students and this is why it is so easy to be so proud of them and the team that support them.

To all our amazing students, supportive families and community partners, and to our dedicated and hardworking staff I hope you have wonderful holiday break. I hope that you have a safe, fulfilling and friendship filled festive season.

#### **Canteen Volunteers**



David Silcock Principal



#### **Girls and Boys Volleyball**

Congratulations to both the Girls and Boys Volleyball teams for a successful gala day in Evans Head last Friday. Whilst the girls can be very happy with their 4<sup>th</sup> place, the improvement they showed throughout the day was even more pleasing. The girls can be proud of their encouragement and enthusiasm displayed on the day. The boys team can also be very happy with their efforts. Not only improving with every match but also taking out the overall Zone Championship. They defeated both Casino and Evans to move through into Round 4 of the CHS Knockout next vear. The Zone representative team was selected on the day. Jordan Oudomvilay, Thomas Rawson and Harry Hampson were chosen, as were Marsha Feldman and Anna Young (shadow) for the Girls Northern Rivers Zone team. These students will be travelling to Port Macquaire next year to compete in the North Coast Trials.



#### Allison Larrescy / Team Coordinator



- **MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!** We would like to wish everyone a very peaceful holiday with lots of happy reading time.
- New Collaborative Learning Space We had the very exciting opportunity to buy new furniture for the lower library area. It's super sweet to see students and staff so



happy in the new space. This is the first step to reconfiguring the lower library to provide a less traditional and more flexible teaching and learning space. I think the photos speak for themselves.





Rachel Varela / Librarian

### **ALSTONVILLE HIGH SCHOOL**

## **UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES 2019**

### 8AM TO 12 NOON

**THURSDAY 17 JANUARY** 

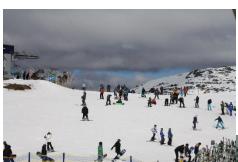
FRIDAY 18 JANUARY

**THURSDAY 24 JANUARY** 

FRIDAY 25 JANUARY









**MEMORIES FROM** 

2018

Alstonville

















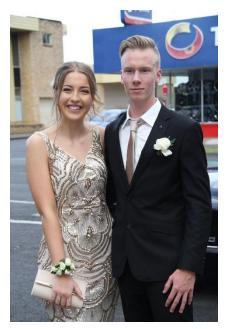


























#### **Recycle Right**

Did you know that Council has a new recycling campaign called Recycle Right? Recent changes to the recycling industry have meant the level of contamination in our recycling can no longer be accepted so we're going back to basics! Recycle Right was developed in collaboration with neighbouring councils and North East Waste. Key changes to recycling are:

- 'Keep it simple' by only recycling glass bottle and jars, hard plastics bottles and containers, steel and aluminium cans and paper and cardboard;
- Resource recovery collection satchels can still be filled, sealed and placed in the recycling bin. Collect a satchel from Council offices, the Waste Management Centre or your local library;
- Bagged soft plastics can no longer go in the recycling bin, however residents can continue collecting and bagging their soft plastics and taking them to Coles or Woolworths stores who have their own courtesy soft plastics recycling collection bins;
- Polystyrene, meat trays and biscuit trays must go in the red waste bin.
- Coffee cups and lids cannot go in the recycling bin. Resident are encouraged to use reusable cups at their favourite café.

For further information, check out Council's website at <u>www.ballina.nsw.go.au</u> or phone Customer Service on 1300 864 444



