

Allendale East Area School Newsletter

Courage Excellence Respect



To build strong, diverse futures for all of our young people by providing quality education driven by needs, skill and aspirations.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS

Term 1 Week 2

2026

We are thrilled to welcome our newest learners, including all our Foundation students, to Allendale East Area School in 2026! Starting at a new school is an exciting milestone and we are here to support you every step of the way. Our school is a place where every student is valued, encouraged and challenged to reach their best. Whether you are beginning your school journey or joining us from another school community, we look forward to getting to know you and your family. We hope you will feel at home, make lasting friendships, and discover new passions as part of our caring school community. Here's to a wonderful year ahead, filled with achievement, growth and joy!



Lincoln Sawley



Wyatt Sawley



Corbin Sawley



Halle Brion



Theodore Ruediger



Laneo Williams, Jordan Virgo, Scott Dempsey-Carrison, Maxwell Kent, Rowan Black, Lucas Pannenburg, Maisy McRostie, Tobiahs Struthers, Summer Feast

IMPORTANT DATES

FEBRUARY

- 10 Walking the Seasons
- 24 Parliament/Civics and Citizenship Excursion 5/6 Class
- 27 Sports Day

MARCH

- 3 Immunisation Information Session
- 4 Safer Journeys Regional Road Safety - Year 10-12
- 9 **Adelaide Cup - Public Holiday**
- 10 School Photos
- 13 Interschool Sports Day - AEAS

MARCH

- 16 **Student Free Day**
- 31 Year 7 & 10 Immunisation

APRIL

- 3 **Good Friday - Public Holiday**
- 6 **Easter Monday - Public Holiday**
- 7 Walking the Seasons

Allendale Contact Information

Principal - Ms Kylie Smith

Assistant Principal - Ms Suzie Mitchell

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2026 TEACHERS



Miss Tanielle



Mrs Ridley



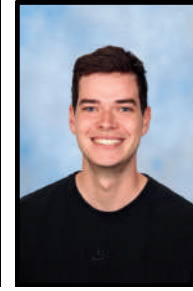
Mrs Neu



Mrs O'Connor



Mrs Maidment



Mr Thomas



Ms Reppin

Foundation/One Teachers

1/2 Teacher

3/4 Teacher

1/2 & 3/4
NIT Teacher

5/6 Teachers



Mrs Dowdell



Mrs Tulak



Mrs Stratford



Mr Berlin



Mr Rumbelow



Ms Mitchell

Secondary Teachers

SECONDARY CAMP

Year 8-12 students had the opportunity to attend an overnight camp Thursday/Friday Week 1, with the Year 7 students joining the group on the Friday. The intention was for students to reconnect, make positive starts to the school year, enjoy being together and to have fresh beginnings with a new cohort. The campsite was perfect for a range of activities. On Thursday the group were challenged to work together in teams to design 3 different hats and create them from newspaper - all in 30 mins. The quality was high, and the competition was fierce! Some free time, some fishing from the jetty, - lots of Rock cod - some Drama games and Storm the Lantern in the evening, all provided excellent bonding and fun times with others. On Friday, the weather was perfect for the Estuary Beach walk and scavenger hunt option. House Team games back at the campsite, such as Egg and Spoon Race, Bucket and Sponge and Spoke relay, created good House spirit in the lead up to Sports day. Lime did exceptionally well! Thank you to all staff for their support of a High School camp very early in the year. My overwhelming emotion about the camp was pride - pride in the students and how they embraced the intention of the camp and just "got along with each other". Student response was all positive which made the effort worthwhile. We look forward to continued positive connections and successes as the term progresses.



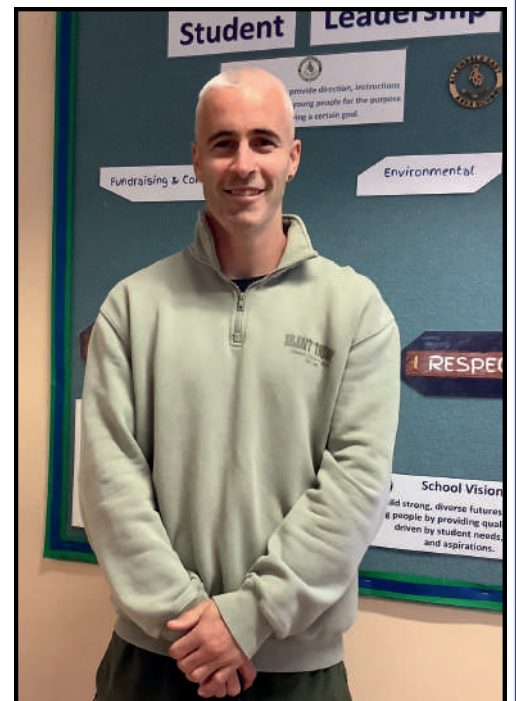
KYLIE HALES - CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

We are incredibly proud to recognise our wonderful SSO, Kylie Hales, on her nomination for the District Council of Grant Citizen of the Year Awards. Kylie is a valued and much-loved member of our school community, always willing to lend a hand and consistently going above and beyond to support others. Her kindness, generosity, and dedication are evident in everything she does, and she makes a meaningful difference to those around her every day. Kylie's commitment to helping others extends well beyond our school. She has done incredible work in setting up the charity "Cottages For Country Care – South East", which provides vital support to local country families by assisting with accommodation in Adelaide while they undergo medical treatment. This remarkable initiative has made a significant impact on the lives of many families during during challenging times. We are extremely proud of Kylie and believe this nomination is a well-deserved recognition of her compassion, selflessness, and ongoing contribution to both our school and the wider community.



WELCOME MATT WILLSON

We are delighted to welcome Matt Willson to the Allendale East Area School as our newest classroom support team member. Matt brings a genuine passion for supporting young people, underpinned by his strong background in leadership, communication, and relationship-building. Matt's experience includes managing teams and fostering inclusive, supportive environments where everyone feels safe, empowered, and able to thrive. With a broad, transferable skill-set, Matt is well-placed to support our diverse range of students across all year levels. Matt's professional expertise covers education support, social and emotional wellbeing, and designing intervention programs that help students engage and succeed. He has extensive experience working directly with young people, particular in sports coaching and strength & conditioning, as well as managing semi-professional sports programs. He appreciates wellbeing, and academic achievement, and looks forward to contributing to our school's sporting programs. Matt is known for his authentic and caring leadership style, building strong relationships and forging trust with students, families, and staff alike. He is dedicated to nurturing environments where students feel safe, motivated, and valued. Please join us in extending a warm welcome to Matt Willson as he joins our school community.



SPORTS DAY POLO SHIRT ORDER

Sports Day polo shirt order forms were sent home on Friday, 30 January 2026. Shirts are available for **\$15 each**. If you would like to order a shirt, please ensure your completed order form is returned to the school by Friday, 6 February 2026. Please note that no orders will be accepted after this date. Thank you for your cooperation!



SPORTS DAY VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for volunteers to help with our upcoming Sports Day. If you're available to help on Friday, 27 March 2026, we'd love to hear from you! Please contact the school on 87 38 72 18 or email dl.0751.info@schools.sa.edu.au. Your support is greatly appreciated!

CANTEEN MENU

We're excited to share that our canteen menu has been updated. Please note that only minimal changes have been made. We encourage everyone to take a look at the new menu and continue enjoying our range of options. You can find our updated menu included as a newsletter insert in Term 1 Week 2.

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE (OSHC)

We welcome all enquiries!

Contact us at the front office on 8738 7218 or reach out to OSHC directly by phone or text at 0447 414 652. You can also email us at dl.0751.info@schools.sa.edu.au.

Operating Hours: Monday to Friday: 3:15 PM - 6:00 PM

We also offer school holiday vacation care and services on student-free days.



SCHOOL UNIFORMS AT HIP POCKET

Allendale East Area School hoodies and polo shirts are available for purchase at Hip Pocket in a range of sizes. If you have any questions, please contact the school front office.

DRAKE COMMUNITY DOLLARS

Support Allendale East Area School with Drakes Community Dollars!

Did you know that by shopping at Drakes Mount Gambier, you can support Allendale East Area School? For every \$2 you spend, Drakes donates 1 cent to a community group or charity—just select Allendale East Area School in the MyDrakes app!

It's a simple way to help our school community—every small contribution adds up to real support for our school. The more people who join in, the more funds we can raise together!

Learn more or register here: <https://drakes.com.au/community/>



Allendale East Area School Canteen Menu



HOT FOOD

Sausage Roll	\$4.00
Ham & Cheese Croissant	\$3.00
Ham & Cheese Pocket	\$2.00
Cheesy Pizza Bread (Focaccia)	\$1.50
Party Pie	\$1.50
Vegemite Pinwheel	.50
Egg and Bacon Roll	\$4.50
Cheese Burger - Beef & Cheese, Tomato Sauce	\$4.50
Hot Dog in Roll	\$4.00
Cup of Noodles - Chicken	\$3.00
Pasta Bolognese	\$3.00
Cheesy Bacon Pasta	\$3.00
Plain Pasta or Rice	\$2.50
Plain Potato Wedges - Small	\$3.00
Sweet Chilli Chicken Tender	\$2.00
Steamed Dim Sim	\$1.50
Potato Cake	\$1.50
Mini Spring Roll	.50

SANDWICHES/COLD FOOD

Ham	\$3.50
Cheese	\$3.00
Vegemite	\$3.00
Tangy Noodles	\$2.00

LUNCH ORDERS

Lunch Orders from this menu can be placed Monday - Friday.

Soft drinks can only be purchased for Year 11/12 students.

SNACKS

Jelly Cup	\$1.50
Ice Stick	\$1.00
Banana Bread	\$2.00
Chips (Grain Waves, Plain, Salt & Vinger)	\$1.50
Lollie bag	\$1.00
Lolly Pop	.50

DRINKS

Hot Chocolate, Tea & Coffee	\$4.00
Soft Drink - Zero Sugar	\$3.00
Chocolate & Strawberry Milk	\$2.50
Fruit Box	\$2.50
Water	\$2.00

SAUCES

with purchased items only.
20c applies for sauce and cutlery with no purchases.

Tomato
BBQ
Sweet Chilli Sauce
Soy Sauce

Canteen Bank Details

BSB - 105-002

ACC - 134787940