

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.

SCHOOL CAPTAINS

Term 1 Week 4

2026

Congratulations to Our School Captains and Vice Captains! We are thrilled to announce the appointment of our new School Captains and Vice Captains for the year. Please join us in congratulating Kanisha Miller as our School Captain, and Zoe Vandpeer as our Vice Captain. These outstanding students have been with us since the beginning of their schooling journey, and it is truly inspiring to see them step into these important leadership roles. Kanisha and Zoe have consistently demonstrated dedication and a passion for making a positive impact within our school community. Their journey from primary school students to high school



Kanisha Miller
School Captain



Zoe Vandpeer
School Vice Captain

leaders is a testament to their hard work and commitment to personal growth and development. As School Captain, Kanisha will lead with enthusiasm, ensuring that the voices of all students are heard and valued. Their ability to inspire and motivate their peers is a critical part of the role and we are confident that they will represent our school with pride. Our Vice Captain, Zoe, brings a wealth of experience to this role. Their collaborative spirit and ability to work alongside students and staff will undoubtedly contribute to an exciting and inclusive school environment. Congratulations once again to Kanisha and Zoe. We look forward to supporting you in your leadership journey and witnessing the wonderful contributions you will make to our school community. Together, we will continue to build a bright and promising future for all.

IMPORTANT DATES

FEBRUARY

- 24 Parliament/Civics and Citizenship Excursion 5/6 Class
- 25 YELP Excursion - Naracoorte Caves
- 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 - OSHC Available**
- 19 Street Smart Incursion
- 31 Year 7 & 10 Immunisation

APRIL

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

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HOUSE CAPTAINS

Northumberland

House Captains



Ryleigh
Atchison



Kanisha Miller



Lincoln Sawley



Zoe
Vandeppeer

Vice Captains

Douglas

House Captains



Ciara Henare



Joshua Virgo



Emily Osborne



Zaria
Shephard

Vice Captains

Banks

House Captains



Oliver Bramley



Savanah
Spencer

Vice Captains



Molly Coutts



Ava Spencer

STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAMS

At the end of last year, students from Year 4 and above were given the opportunity to submit an application to be part of our Student Leadership Teams. Students were required to answer several questions detailing why they would make a good leader and what experiences they have had to show leadership. After careful consideration, the following students were selected to represent our school and their peers, and were presented certificates at a morning assembly.

Last week students took part in their first group meeting to discuss 'What qualities & characteristics make a good leader', 'The different types of Leaders', the importance of upholding our school values of 'Courage, Excellence and Respect' and the clear expectations and responsibility that comes with being a leader.

Also, congratulations to Evie Black, Eva Hape, Dylan Connell and Maddox Taylor who have been selected to take part in the 2026 Young Environmental Leaders Program (YELP). The program run by the Limestone Coast Landscape Board, provides opportunities for students to develop leadership skills whilst learning about monitoring and caring for our environment through project work and Environmental Forums. These students will also form part of the Environmental Leadership Team.

All students are very enthusiastic about getting started with meetings and ideas this week and we look forward to seeing what projects they undertake throughout the year.



Community Group



Fundraising Group



Environmental Group

Absent - Evie Black

WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS

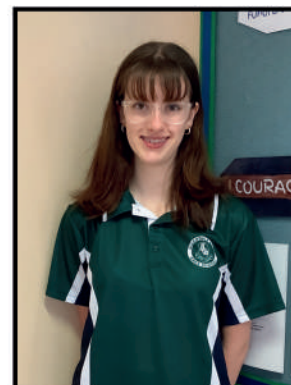
A warm welcome to Jake Taylor, Ava Brown, and Lilah Brown! We are thrilled to have you join our school community at Allendale East Area School. We hope you enjoy making new friends, learning new things, and getting involved in all the exciting activities our school has to offer. Welcome aboard!



Jake Taylor



Lilah Brown



Ava Brown

SCHOOL FEES

As students make their way back into the classroom, the invoices for School fees have been sent out. The fees for the 2026 school year are as follows: Foundation - Year 6 \$330* and Year 7 - 12 \$410*, with fees covering all printed and electronic materials, stationery items, library use, student consumables, use of materials whereby the student takes ownership of final product. The SA Government has again this year supplied a rebate to all students of \$200 towards the school fees. Therefore, Parents of F-Year 6 students need only pay \$130 and Yr 7-12 \$210. (School Card holders are not eligible for the \$200 rebate)

Please note: excursion costs are not included in fee payment.

Fees are able to be paid via instalments (ie: weekly/fortnightly) and direct credits can be set up for payment into the School account. School Card** Need to be applied for each year, with paper application forms available from the School Front Office. For those who prefer to apply; electronically, the following website is where you need to go to apply. <https://www.sa.gov.au/> If you have any queries or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact Finance Officer Mel Reed for a confidential chat.

SCHOOL SAFETY

As we enter Week 4 of the school term, we kindly remind all students and parents/caregivers of several important safety guidelines:

Sun Safety:

We have noticed an increasing number of students visiting the Front Office to borrow hats so they can participate in outdoor activities during break times. To support sun safety and hygiene, please ensure your child brings a clearly labelled hat each day. As there are only a limited number of spare hats available, and sharing is not permitted. Your assistance in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Wheels:

For everyone's wellbeing and safety, we remind students that equipment with wheels—such as bikes, scooters, and skateboards—are not permitted to be used on school grounds at any time between the hours of 7:30am - 6:30pm.

School Drop Off and Pickup:

On occasion, unsafe driving behaviours occur during drop off and pick up times. Please remember that school zone speed limits must be observed, and, for everyone's safety, we ask that U-turns within 50 metres of any drop off zone be avoided.

Thank you for supporting our ongoing commitment to keeping Allendale East Area School safe and welcoming for all.

GOVERNING COUNCIL MEMBERS

Our school is currently seeking parents and caregivers to join our Governing Council. Becoming a member is a wonderful opportunity to have a voice in important school decisions, support our students, staff, and broader school community, and help shape the future direction of our school. The time commitment is minimal, with just two Governing Council meetings each term. All parents and caregivers are encouraged to nominate—no experience is necessary! If you would like to know more or are interested in joining, please contact the school for further information. We warmly welcome new members and fresh ideas to our Governing Council.