

Allendale East Area School Newsletter

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

AEAS BIGGEST MORNING TEA - THANK YOU

Term 2 Week 8

2026

Friday 12 June, our Fundraising and Community Team hosted the AEAS Biggest Morning Tea. The event was supported by our community, with a wonderful atmosphere enjoyed by all. Activities included silent auctions, raffles, and lucky squares, alongside entertainment from Brenton Williams. Attendees enjoyed a relaxing cuppa and delicious morning tea. A special thank you goes to our leadership students—once again, your efforts were outstanding. Sincere thanks also to Sarah, Verity, and Elivia for your ongoing contributions. We are grateful to Brett, Verity, Kylie H, and all the businesses who kindly donated; your generosity helps make events like this possible. We will share an update on the final fundraising tally later this week. Thank you to everyone who attended; we hope you enjoyed the day and look forward to seeing you again next year!



IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE

- 16 Integrated Learning Year 10 - 12 - Immersion
- 17 Governing Council Meeting 5:30pm
- 25 Millicent Gymnastics - Year 3/4/5/6
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JULY

- 2 Millicent Gymnastics - Year 3/4/5/6
- 3 Last Day of Term 2 - Early Dismissal 2:15pm
- 20 **Student Free Day - OSHC Available**
- 21 First Day of Term 3
- 21-23 Dental Patrol - AEAS

AUGUST

- 4 Immunisation Catch Up Year 10

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- 12 Governing Council Meeting 5:30pm
- 24-28 Book Week

SEPTEMBER

- 7-11 Life Ed - Incursion
- 8 Whalebone - Foundation Class - Excursion
- 9 Governing Council Meeting 5:30pm
- 22 Walk the Seasons - Year 7 - Excursion
- 25 Last Day of Term 3 - Early Dismissal 2:15pm

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RECONCILIATION WEEK

Our Foundation/Year 1 students meaningfully engaged with Reconciliation Week through the national theme, “All In,” seamlessly connecting with our history curriculum. The children watched the Play School episode “Walking Together,” which guided them in learning about shared histories and the vital role we all play in building respectful relationships and inclusive communities that value Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, histories, cultures, and futures.

Through music, art, and imaginative play, students explored the importance of Acknowledgement of Country, the ways we can walk together towards change, and how we can better connect with and protect Country. We had many wonderful conversations, and students gained a deeper understanding that we learn and grow on Boandik Country.

To further embed this learning, students took part in a collaborative art activity inspired by “Walking Together,” creating a vibrant “Sea of Hands.” This display symbolises our support for reconciliation and fairness for all Australians, showing that we are truly “All In.” The Foundation/Year 1 class is proud to support ongoing positive changes and celebrate learning, singing, dancing, and playing together. We encourage families to watch the “Play School – Walking Together” episode on ABC iView and continue these important conversations at home. – **Ms Tanielle Brooksby**



COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP STUDENTS STRENGTHEN CONNECTIONS

Our Community and Fundraising Leadership Team recently continued their valued association with the staff and residents of Resthaven Aged Care in Mount Gambier. Students from Years 3–7 spent time chatting, playing games, and sharing stories with residents, creating meaningful connections and bringing joy across generations.

The visit provided a wonderful opportunity for students to demonstrate empathy, respect, and care for others while developing a stronger sense of community and social responsibility. The positive interactions were enjoyed by both the students and residents, highlighting the importance of connection and kindness.

These visits will continue throughout the year as part of an ongoing partnership between our Community Leadership students and Resthaven, fostering relationships, building community spirit, and creating enriching experiences for everyone involved.

- **Mel Reed & Mrs Sarah Stratford**



LIONS MAD MINUTE

Congratulations to our Year 5 students, who recently participated in the Lions Mad Minute impromptu speaking competition. The event was a wonderful opportunity for students to demonstrate their confidence, quick thinking, and creativity under pressure.

A special congratulations to our place-getters:

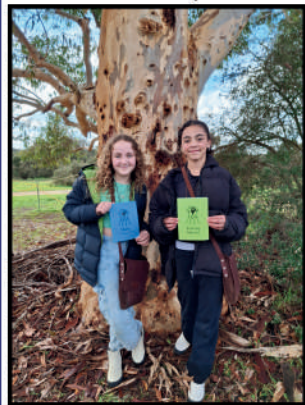
- Alyrah Kayee – 1st place
- Roscoe Palmer – 2nd place
- Chelsea Grosvenor – 3rd place

All finalists will be progressing to the next round at Mount High later this term. We wish them the best of luck as they continue to represent our school! Well done to everyone who took part. Your commitment, enthusiasm, and hard work were truly impressive! - **Mr Thomas Male**



YELP CAMP - NARACOORTE CAVES

During Week 5, four of our YELP (Young Environmental Leaders Program) Leadership students had the exciting opportunity to attend an overnight camp at the Naracoorte Caves. Dylan, Maddox, Eva, and Evie from the Year 5/6 class were looking forward to making new friends and embracing new experiences. The camp provided a fantastic opportunity for environmental learning, while also allowing students to form valuable connections with peers from other schools. Throughout the camp, our students explored the caves described as E.M.'s favourite place on earth. E.M. is an Earth Keeper: a guardian who helps protect the environment by raising awareness around issues such as water and energy wastage and air pollution. Inspired by E.M.'s mission, our students were challenged to prove themselves worthy of becoming Earth Keepers. By following a specially designed map, they embarked on a unique adventure, learning firsthand what it means to care for and respect our planet. An Earth Keeper is someone who understands and loves the earth, and who sets a positive example for others to follow. By the end of the camp, students not only uncovered some of the secrets to becoming an Earth Keeper but also created lasting memories and thoroughly enjoyed their overnight experience.



WINTER KINDNESS DRIVE – COMMUNITY SUPPORT IN ACTION

We are thrilled to share that the 'One Forty One' team generously delivered two pallets of kindling to Allendale East Area School. Our Community Leadership students will be busy repacking this kindling, ready to be distributed to members of our community who need a little extra warmth this winter. This marks the second year of our “Winter Kindness Drive” – a project that reinforces the importance of giving and community care. This year, thanks to the support of our fundraising team, we are excited to announce that we will also be adding homemade soup to our deliveries, further warming both hearts and homes. Thank you to 'One Forty One', our students, and everyone involved in this effort. Your kindness is making a real difference.

- **Mrs Sarah Stratford & Mel Reed**



LOWER SOUTH EAST SAPSASA FOOTBALL

Hunter Livingston-Waters was recently selected to represent the Lower South East team in the SAPSASA football carnival. Hunter and his team performed exceptionally well, securing third place overall. The Lower South East team won 7 out of their 9 games. Congratulations to Hunter for being recognised at this level and for contributing to such a successful carnival.



JAM BAND

On Wednesday Week 6 the JAM (Just Add Music) Band came to visit. They are a live 7 piece band making fun concerts for school kids. The Kirinari kindy, Kongorong and Moorak schools joined us for the performance. They put on an amazing show every year, and this year was no exception. They started with a Pokemon song, with students dressed as pokemon, toy pokemon flying around the gym and being collected. Miss Maidment and Mr Thomas dressed up as Woody and Buzz for 'The toys are back in town', with lots of aliens from Toy Story running around. The highlight for most was 'Grilling in the name of' (a cover of the Rage against the Machine song of a slightly different name!) with students dressed up as hot dogs, and a giant inflatable sausage dog costume worn by SSO Elivia. They also sang 'Who let the dogs out' which was a hit for everyone. There was a giant conga line of students and teachers all brightly coloured and shaking maracas. So much singing and dancing, everyone there had an amazing time at the JAM Band and couldn't wipe the smiles off their faces! - **Mrs Lucy Ridley**

