



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.

MILLCENT GYMNASTICS

Term 2 Week 10

2026

On Thursday 25 June, the Year 3/4/5/6 students, along with Mr Thomas, Mrs Maidment, Miss Reppin, Mrs O'Connor, SSOs Hannah and Blake, travelled to Millicent to participate in two exciting gymnastics sessions. Students were split into four groups and rotated through a variety of activities designed to develop their balance, coordination, flexibility, core strength and upper body strength. They challenged themselves on a range of gymnastics equipment, learnt new skills, and encouraged one another to have a go at activities outside of their comfort zones. It was fantastic to see students demonstrating resilience, teamwork and perseverance throughout the day while building their confidence and physical skills in a fun and supportive environment. We are looking forward to returning to Millicent again on the Thursday 2 July for another two sessions, where students will continue developing their skills and building on what they learnt this week.



IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE

- 29 REC Fishing - Excursion - Year 5/6
- 30 Community Kindness Visit to Resthaven
- 30 Burrungule Lazer Tag - Excursion - Year 7 - 12

JULY

- 1 NAIDOC Week Celebrations "50 Years of Deadly"
- 2 Millicent Gymnastics - Year 3/4/5/6
- 2 Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre - Grant High School Musical - Excursion - Year 7 - 12
- 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
- 12 Governing Council Meeting 5:30pm
- 24-28 Book Week

SEPTEMBER

- 7-11 Life Ed - Incursion
- 8 Whalebone - Foundation Class - Excursion
- 9 ABC Takeover Mount Gambier - 4pm-7pm
- 9 Governing Council Meeting 5:30pm
- 10 ABC Takeover Mount Gambier
- 22 Walk the Seasons - Year 7 - Excursion
- 25 Last Day of Term 3 - Early Dismissal 2:15pm

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CONGRATULATIONS - HOLLY BROWN

On behalf of the staff and students at Allendale East Area School, congratulations to you, Holly, as you commence this wonderful new chapter of life. We are all so excited for you and your partner Dan as you prepare to welcome your first child.

Your kindness and dedication as a staff member has made a difference in our school community and for now, we wish you a joyful and safe journey ahead with your family, and look forward to hearing your happy news.

All the very best for this special time, Holly!



EXCITING NEWS - ROSE GARTSIDE

We are excited to welcome SSO Rose to Allendale East Area School for Term 3 as she commences her final teaching placements!

Rose is undertaking the last stages of her teaching degree and will be joining us in the Foundation/Year 1 class as a teacher.

The staff and students wish Rose all the very best as she embarks on this important phase of her professional journey. We look forward to supporting her and watching her enthusiasm and passion for teaching in action!

#AllendaleEastAreaSchool #TeachingPlacement #FutureEducators #Term3



GOODLUCK - HANNAH SEIDEL

We would like to wish Hannah, our valued SSO, all the very best as she begins her final teaching placement at Lumen Christi Catholic College in Pambula, NSW, working with a Year 2 class for Term 3.

Hannah has made a significant impact at Allendale East Area School through her dedication, support, and care. We sincerely thank her for her valuable contributions to our school community. She will be greatly missed by staff and students alike, and we are confident she will continue to inspire and nurture young minds in her teaching journey. Best wishes, Hannah!



WELCOME OUR GROUNDSMEN

Welcome to Brett!

We would like to extend our appreciation to Brett, who has been a dedicated member of our school grounds team for quite some time now. Brett's commitment to keeping our grounds well-maintained and presentable is evident in everything he does, from mowing the lawns to tackling odd jobs and ensuring our site always looks its best. Thank you, Brett, for your ongoing hard work and your positive contribution to Allendale East Area School.



Welcome to Peter!

We are also pleased to formally welcome Peter, who has joined our grounds team more recently but has already become an important part of our school community. Peter has quickly settled in and can often be seen helping with various maintenance tasks, and ensuring our school grounds remain clean and tidy. Thank you, Peter, for your energy and your contribution to keeping our environment welcoming.



SA OLYMPICS UNLEASHED

We were privileged to welcome Olympians Chris McHugh and Seve de Campo to Allendale East Area School as part of the exciting Olympics Unleashed program!

Our students were captivated as Chris and Seve brought their incredible sporting journeys to life, sharing inspiring stories of triumph, hard work, and the challenges they've overcome. They spoke about how the atmosphere was electric at the Olympics and about building resilience, setting and chasing ambitious goals, and the determination needed to keep pushing even when no one is watching.

Chris and Seve shared life lessons they have learnt along the way, tackling setbacks with a positive attitude, and how dedication to routine and growth can unlock amazing achievements.

Thank you to Chris and Seve for inspiring our students and showing what can be achieved through dedication, perseverance, and a positive mindset.



INTEGRATED LEARNING STUDENTS VISIT KIMBERLY-CLARK AUSTRALIA

The Stage 1 Integrated Learning class recently had the opportunity to tour the Kimberly-Clark Australia (KCA) Mill in Millicent with Ms Stratford and Mr Berlin.

The visit provided students with a fascinating insight into one of the Limestone Coast's largest manufacturing facilities. Operating since 1960, the Millicent Mill has been producing toilet paper, facial tissues and paper towel products for Australian households and overseas markets for more than 65 years.

Students observed the impressive scale of modern manufacturing, including the enormous tissue-making machine, highly automated packaging lines and robotic systems used throughout the plant. One of the highlights was watching the automated boxing and packaging machines, which were operating so quickly that it was almost impossible to follow each movement with the naked eye.

The excursion also highlighted the wide range of career opportunities available in advanced manufacturing. Students learned about apprenticeships, traineeships and production roles that offer well-paid employment pathways straight from school, supported by ongoing training and career development.

Thank you to the team at Kimberly-Clark Australia for generously giving their time to show our students behind the scenes of this world-class manufacturing facility and demonstrating the exciting career opportunities available right here in our local community.

Please note: Unfortunately, Kimberly-Clark does not allow photos to be taken within the premises.

LIONS MAD MINUTE

Congratulations to Roscoe, Alyrah and Chelsea for representing Allendale East Area School at the next round of the Lions Mad Minute, The Grand Challenge! On the Tuesday 23 of June, these students travelled with Mr Thomas the (Year 5/6 Class Teacher) to participate in this exciting event.

All three students spoke exceptionally well, demonstrating confidence and impressive public speaking skills. They maintained incredible focus and composure, even when faced with unexpected interruptions. We are very proud of their efforts and achievements, well done!



BIGGEST MORNING TEA - AMOUNT RAISED

We are thrilled to announce that, thanks to the generosity and support of our school community, our Biggest Morning Tea has raised a fantastic total of **\$2085.86!** These funds will make a meaningful difference in supporting vital cancer research, prevention, and support services. Thank you to everyone who contributed, participated, and helped make this event such a success. Our Fundraising Leadership Team are thrilled.

LIMESTONE COAST TECHNICAL COLLEGE EXCURSION

Year 10 AgriTech students from the Limestone Coast Technical College recently immersed themselves in the future of forestry, exploring how the principles of Agriculture 5.0 are driving innovation across one of the region's most important industries. The excursion provided students with a firsthand look at how cutting-edge technology, data, and science are being used to improve sustainability and productivity, reinforcing the strong links between agriculture, forestry, and advanced technologies. Students visited Tree Breeding Australia, where they discovered the science behind tree genetics and the critical role selective breeding plays in producing stronger, healthier, and more productive forests for the future. They also toured the OneFortyOne Glencoe forest nursery to witness the large-scale production of seedlings destined for planting throughout the Green Triangle. Seeing millions of seedlings being propagated using modern horticultural techniques gave students a valuable insight into the scale, precision, and innovation that underpin the forestry industry, while showcasing the exciting career pathways emerging within AgriTech and environmental sciences.

