# Allendale East Area School Newsletter



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

#### **CHINESE TEACHER VISIT**

Term 1 Week 9

On Thursday 16 March Lan Zhang the Chinese Teacher visited the Foundation to Year 7/8 classes. It is always nice to have Lan visit, as normally Chinese lessons are through Open Access using our Promethian boards.

During Lan's visit the Primary classes had the opportunity to make Chinese Rattling Drums. The students hand decorated their drums and were enjoyed by all. The 5/6 class have shared some feedback from Lan's visit.

Lily Whan

My favourite part was when we finished the rattling drums, because we could make lots of noise.

#### Daisee Stanley

It was challenging saying the Chinese words out loud.

#### Oliver Fox

I found writing characters on a paper plate challenging because you want to give it your all and best effort.

#### Zoe Vandepeer

My favourite part of the lesson was when we were writing the characters, as we got to pick which characters we wrote. I picked tú as it is rabbit.









# **IMPORTANT DATES**

Mon 27 March Wed 29 - Fri 31 March

Thurs 30 March

Student Free Day

**Outdoor Ed Camp Mt Arapiles Choir Excursion** 

**McDonald Park Primary** School **Teacher/Parent Interviews** 

Fri 7 April Mon 10 April Wed 12 April Fri 14 April

**GOOD FRIDAY** 

EASTER MONDAY

**Governing Council 6pm** LAST DAY OF TERM Early Dismissal 2.15pm

#### Mon 1 May - Term 2

**Student Free Day** 

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Assistant Principal - Ms Suzie Mitchell

Governing Council Chairperson - Mr Rodney Virgo

## SCHOOL BASED TRAINEESHIPS

During 2023 AEAS has two students undertaking School Based Traineeships. Dakota Rashleigh is completing a Certificate III in Business at the Port MacDonnell Community Complex.

Dakota works 8 hours a week at the Community Complex and will complete theory modules as part of her Traineeship.

Jack Kain is completing a Certificate III in Engineering at Edens Engineering, Racecourse Bay Port Mac Donnell. Jack attends the workshop 2 days a week as well as completing theory modules as part of his Traineeship.



Sharyn Taylor, Kyle Gleed, Dakota Rashleigh, Kelli Winterfield



Marcus Shayne, Jack Kain

## **ENVIRONMENTAL STUDENT LEADERSHIP GROUP**

The Environmental Student Leadership group is led by Nicole Biggins, Belinda Tilley, and Year 12 student Merrick Miller. The group has been meeting weekly to discuss issues of concern and brainstorm possible action plans. They have been working through a student leader planning document for a couple of issues exploring the issues, and what we could do to make a difference in our school and community. The two issues they have raised are air pollution and water pollution.

They are brainstorming ideas for making a difference for our school and/or community in each area of concern, what resources and personnel are needed, and what outcome they hope for together. Next, they discussed what challenges they might face and how they might overcome these. Each week the students have been tasked with researching certain aspects of each idea and then bringing back their findings to the next meeting. Early in term two, the team hope to begin actioning steps towards well-formatted, achievable projects that will make a difference in our school and community, raising awareness of one or both of these environmental issues and ways individuals and our school community can make a difference.

Belinda Tilley and Nicole Biggins





#### HARMONY DAY

On Tuesday 21 March was Harmony Day. The Wellbeing team selected Harmony Day Whole School Picnic as a focus event for this term because it works well with our Wellbeing Team's inclusion theme. We believe it's intent matches the overall Wellbeing of the school, inclusion, kindness and community. The intended outcome of our activities "pass the egg" and "tug-of-war" was to build accepting and inclusive relationships across the different age groups of the school towards creating belonging, connectedness, school spirit and pride. The positive fun activities were intended to serve as a way to counteract bullying, exclusion, unkind and exclusive play in break times as the students get to know some of the school cohort they don't normally spend time with, who are all part of our diversity.

The picnic began with an Acknowledgment of Country, spoken by Ava Gollan-Grosvenor followed by Triin Persidski sharing her Cultural story from Estonia and Uncle Ken Jones sharing his Cultural story as an Aboriginal Elder. The students were very respectful during these talks and we appreciate our parents willingness to share their stories.

#### Wellbeing Team













#### 7/8 HOME ECONOMICS

In Home Economics this term we have been working on basic skills such as safe knife skills, how to cut different produce correctly, learning about kneading techniques for various doughs to produce different outcomes and textures and learning to adjust flavour using different ingredients. We have a big focus on food technology vocabulary and are expanding students word knowledge surrounding food and cooking in every lesson.





Some things we have cooked this term: Calzones, Pancakes and Sausage Hotpot – (pictured). Next term, we will focus on nutrition and how to plan budget friendly meals.

Kezia Feast Home Economics Teacher

# MOBILE PHONE AND PERSONAL DEVICES

Thank you to the students that are complying with the new Student Mobile Phone and Personal Device Policy and handing their phone up to the Homegroup Teacher.

Reminder that ALL students below Year 7 are NOT PERMITTED to bring a mobile phone or personal device with them to school under any circumstances.

If you wish to discuss an exemption for your child please contact Kylie Smith, Principal or Suzie Mitchell, Assistant Principal.

A copy of the new Student Mobile Phone and Personal Device policy can be found on the school Website.

#### ST PATRICK'S DAY "I SPY"

St Patrick's Day was held on Friday 17 March. Helèné Thomas our Librarian set up a display in the Library with quirky, fun, and interesting **green** items for an "I SPY" game for students. If students were able to find all items they received a gold chocolate coin from Helèné 's pot of gold at the end of the rainbow, or choose a St Patrick's Day sticker.



Helèné Thomas Librarian

#### **CANTEEN NEWS**

Please note that there has been a price increase for Moka Dogs; they are now \$3.50. An updated Canteen menu is available on Skoolbag as well as the school website.

The Canteen are looking for volunteers to assist with recess and lunch preparation moving into term 2. If you could please spare an hour or two any day Tuesday - Friday would be very much appreciated. Our Canteen service is important to our school and we wish to continue providing a variety of food options to our students.

Angela Leggett Canteen Manager

#### OSHC

Governing Council wish to advise that Sharon Neale has been appointed as our new OSHC Director. Sharon brings with her lots of experience in early years education along with OSHC experience. We welcome Sharon to our school and wish her well in her new role. Governing Council would like to take this opportunity to thank Carla Doody and Shanen Pulkkinen for stepping in as Acting Director over the past 18 months to keep our OSHC service running.

Early last week a program was sent home to Foundation—Year 6 families outlining the up coming April School Holiday Vacation Care Program. Extra programs are available from the Front Office or can be downloaded on Skoolbag.

OSHC will be running over the whole holiday period, with the exemption of Tuesday 25 April due to this being ANZAC Day.

If you wish to book your child/children into OSHC for the Vacation Care please return the completed form to the front office or alternatively contact Sharon Neale on 0447 414 652

OSHC continues to run Monday to Friday for after school care.

# **COMMUNITY INFORMATION**

Illuminate Dance Co offer dance lessons in Pt MacDonnell. Anyone and everyone is welcome to join from any age, affordable prices and most of all lots of fun! Dance styles ranging through hiphop, acro, lyrical, jazz, and contemporary. Teamwork and potentially solos and duos. To make a booking call or message Sophie Fairchild on 0435 669 515.



