



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.

70th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Term 2 Week 6

As many would be aware, the 70th Anniversary of the School was celebrated over the weekend of 20-21 May 2023. This event was an amazing success, providing the opportunity for past and present students, teachers and the community to reminisce and share stories about their educational experience. A blend of past and present featured in the festivities, that included current Principal Kylie Smith opening the event, former student Mrs Rhonda Jess delivering a church reading, and a choir comprising of current students performing at the Church Service. The honour of cutting the Anniversary cake was bestowed upon former teachers; Janice Widdison, Ruth Hein, Warren Duncan and Sue Black. Photos and further detail can be found on the insert, which accompanies this newsletter.

BIGGEST MORNING TEA 2023

Following the success of The Biggest Morning Tea 2022, for which the School won the District Council of Grant Community Event Award, we again hosted The Biggest Morning Tea, relocating from the Pt MacDonnell Golf Club to the Allendale Hall, closer to the School. Without the use of each facility, this event would not be possible, and we are very thankful to both. With funds raised supporting The Cancer Council, this year's event was not only well supported, it was also well organised by Mel Reed, ably assisted by a group of enthusiastic students. The students played major roles, carrying out the MC duties, assisting with food preparation/serving and running the door and fundraising tables. This wonderful community event provides an excellent insight into hospitality and customer service for the students, while raising awareness to the fight against cancer. This year's event has raised \$1286, and the organising group should be super proud of their efforts. A list of our generous supporters can be found on page 4 - Appreciation section.



IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE 2023

- 6 - 7 Chinese Teacher Visit - Ms Lan Zhang
- 12 Mon King's Birthday - Public Holiday
- 14 JAM Band Performance
- 14 Wed @ 6pm Governing Council Meeting

JULY 2023

- 3 NAIDOC Week
- 7 Early Dismissal - 2.15 pm
- 26 Wed@ 6pm Governing Council Meeting

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NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORY TIME

On Wednesday, 24 May 2023, our school tuned in along with hundreds of thousands of students, teachers, parents and caregivers, all over Australia to the National Simultaneous Storytime (NSS), an annual event held by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA). In its 23rd year, NSS is a vibrant and fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy, using an Australian children's book that explores age-appropriate themes, and addresses key learning areas of the National Curriculum for Foundation to Year 6. Last year almost 2.2 million people from 59,000 locations tuned in. Each year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator is chosen, with this year's book "The Speedy Sloth", written by Rebecca Young and illustrated by Heath McKenzie. The book explores the concepts of encouraging others, winning, losing and perseverance. We were spoilt for choice this year with not only being able to hear the author read her book, we could also choose to view four other special guest readers. The Foundation class tuned in to the livestream from Sydney Zoo where author Rebecca Young read her book, accompanied by illustrator, Heath McKenzie, teaching viewers how to draw a sloth like Spike from the book. The 1/2 Class were delighted with seeing and hearing a Zookeeper from Singapore Zoo read "The Speedy Sloth" to their resident sloth, Indigo, and her baby, Bubba. The Year 3 Class tuned in to Grant Denyer, Australian TV Personality and Racing Car Driver, who read the book alongside his racing car, much to the delight of the boys!

Helene Thomas



AUTISM INCLUSION

As the School's recently announced Autism Inclusion teacher, I would love to hear from parents/care giver's of our autistic young people, to assist me to learn more about the perspectives of the student and their carers, regarding their experience of school. Specifically, I would like to find out more about the following: **reaching academic targets** (including dealing with workload, pace and homework), **sensory processing** (across different school environments) and **relationships** (friendships, difficulties, relating to staff etc). I can make myself available for a discussion and to answer any queries, at a time and communication medium that is most convenient to you (eg: email, phone, face to face meeting). Please note: the identity of the information provider will not be disclosed, with all information used only to improve outcomes for autistic students across the School site.

April Hague

42 ADELAIDE DISCOVERY PISCINE - ANGUS MILLARD

42 Adelaide Discovery Piscine ("ADP") is an institution which offers innovative coding programs which helps youth aspiring to challenge themselves, while achieving their goals. Following teacher Mr Rob Berlin's recommendation, student Angus Millard was successful in joining the program, with Angus required to travel to Adelaide once a term. With one visit to Adelaide already completed, Angus has had the opportunity to learn 5 new and different coding languages (Shell, CSS, html, C & JavaScript) which will hopefully aid him to pursue a career in digital engineering. Angus has also learned the skill of "transmogrification", which enables a file to be universally opened. Angus has identified a "student run" course for JavaScript as the highlight of the course so far, where a fellow student taught the other 39 students about the JavaScript code. We wish Angus all the best with his studies and work towards creating a university portfolio and look forward to following his progress.

Madison Gavin - Student



INDUSTRY IMMERSION DAY

On 17 May 2023, the School's Year 9/10 students travelled to Millicent to participate in an Industry Immersion Day, organised by Millicent High School. This event allowed students to travel to various workplaces around the region, to see first-hand what a day in the life of an employee entails, for the respective businesses. Students had the opportunity to visit with and observe the following: **Stef's Transport** - freight management, finance, driver responsibilities and vehicle maintenance; **Teagle Contracting** - truck, bulldozer and earth-moving equipment cabin introduction. Other students attended a Health and Childcare Workshop at Millicent High School which included role playing and hands-on learning experiences. The students have highlighted that the workplace visits, showcasing the types of work available, is helpful as they consider the types of work they may like to engage with in the future. Further events will be conducted throughout the year, with the aim to broaden the student's perspectives on careers and employment, while further refining the student's preferences in various businesses around the South East.

Rob Berlin



YELP - CAMP NARACOORTE

Four students from the 5/6 class - Flint Jones, Madison Carlin, Sharli Manning and Zoe Vandepier recently attended the **Young Environmental Leaders Program** camp at the Naracoorte caves. Staying at the Wirreanda campsite, the group participated in many environmental activities, which included learning about "munch lines", the intertwining of living things and the effect of pollution in the forest. The group also participated in animal and bird observation, a forest search to locate boxes containing bones, teeth and fossils and walking the "spec' trail. Day 1 rounded out with a meal of lasagne at the Caves Cafe, a night walk back to camp and a fun quiz night organised by the YELP leaders. Kangaroos feeding greeted us at camp on Day 2, with the final day agenda including a hike, cave exploration and the more challenging task of students being led blindfolded through the bush, to identify certain trees by touch. The camp provided a great opportunity for environmental learning, while also forming connections with students from other schools.

Nicole Biggins



LOST - PRESCRIPTION GLASSES



A pair of prescription glasses belonging to one of our student's have been missing since last term. The glasses are similar to the image (see left) with black frames and are the "Rayban" brand. As many would appreciate, it is not only the expense to replace prescription glasses, it is also an inconvenience when trying to make do without them. If anyone has seen or has information in relation to the glasses, please let the School know.

FOUR REASONS WHY- "WINTER WEAR" CAMPAIGN

With the School previously being involved in the Four Reasons Why "Winter Wear" campaign, both as donors and recipients, we have once again been invited to participate. The campaign provides clean, warm winter clothing, jackets, blankets, beanies, underwear and shoes to primary school students and their families across the region. This year, Four Reasons Why will be assisted by the Volunteering class from the Independent Learning Centre, who will take charge of the collection, sorting and distribution process. This campaign is a great opportunity for our School and wider community to go through what may be excess at home and to make a big difference to someone else's winter. Please be reminded: all donations must be clean, and in good used or better condition. Any donations of underwear are required to be brand new. Carla Doody will be accepting the donations at School, and will then deliver to Four Reasons Why-Independent Learning Centre on our behalf. Sometimes it can be the smallest things that make such a big difference.

APPRECIATION

Thank you to the following businesses/people, who supported the School with the following events:

- **Generations in Jazz Hospitality:** Port MacDonnell Store, She's Apples, PFD Food, Staff & Volunteers
- **Mother's Day Raffle:** Shed 21/Luxe in the Bay, Lorraine Lea Linen (Anne Somerfield), Body Shop at Home (Leanne Little), Taylor Made Hair Dressing, Isla Ocean (Jody), Mel Reed.
- **Biggest Morning Tea:** Leanne Little Body Shop, Lorraine Lea Linen (Anne Somerfield), The Distributors, Crater View Produce (Dani. Tulak), She's Apples, Port MacDonnell General Store, Rhonda Jess, Marg. McGregor, Gail Lamond, Helen Ferguson, Mel Reed, Ange Leggett, Jan Habner, Rachel McGregor, Allendale East Hall Committee

Where possible, please support the businesses who so generously support the School.

LOST PROPERTY

In recent weeks, there has been a noticeable increase in the volume of the lost property being found and handed in around the School. A few weeks ago, there were at least 20 hoodies in the Lost Property box, and with the colder weather here, this is not ideal for the student or for the clothing supply at home. To ensure each student's clothing and possessions remain with and are returned to the rightful owner, please check that all uniform and belongings are clearly labelled. It is suggested that students who are losing track of their belongings are reminded to check that they have all clothing and belongings prior to leaving school each day.



COMMUNITY INFORMATION

AEAS Mother's Day Raffle Results - drawn Thursday, 11 May 2023

1st prize: Rachelle Fabris
2nd prize: Taya Vandeppeer
3rd prize: April Hall
4th prize: Jacob Reed

5th prize: Ariana Rankine
6th prize: Lisa Bigham
7th prize: Krystal Johnson

The Biggest Morning Tea Raffle Results - drawn Thursday, 25 May 2023

Reed diffuser: Maree Little
Lorraine Lea throw rug: Jan Habner
Cup & Saucer set: Kylie Lannigan
Scorched Almonds: Julie Wilkinson
Body Shop: Madison Carlin
She's Apples Basket door prize: Ian Black

Money Pot: Barbara Lightbody
Crater View Produce: Tracey Morandin
Body Shop: Maddie L.
Lorraine Lea towels: Kristy De Wit
Lorraine Lea beach towel: Jean Kerlake
Crater View Produce door prize: Carol Taylor