



# 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 aspiration.

## "TALK MONEY" VISIT

Term 2 Week 8

On Monday, 5 June 2023, students in year 5/6, 7/8 and 9/10 worked with Kim, a visiting presenter from "Talk Money". Talk Money provides an introduction to money and key finance concepts for primary and secondary school students, with workshops designed to be inclusive and relevant for students of all backgrounds and experience. Students were encouraged to consider how they used money, the impacts of impulsive buying and ways in which they could minimise their expenses, while putting a few dollars away for the future. The year 9/10 class were asked to consider their first job, and how they would manage their time and commitments, while also studying. Given some students are already working, this was a good way to consider their work/study/life balance going into senior year levels at school.

The topic of "fair pay for a fair day" was raised and students were asked to consider that nearly 75% of young workers are not paid correctly or treated fairly across Australia. This ranged from pay scales to work health and safety considerations, with the presenter identifying scenarios where students may have to carry out tasks that place them in danger of injury or illness.

Questions asked during the sessions ranged from queries in relation to award wages for different jobs, casual versus part time work conditions as well as how they can stop spending so much money on "Sour Worms"!

The presenter was very engaging and the opportunity to have a complimentary workshop such as this in the region, only occurs once per year. The "Talk Money" sessions are fully funded by the Ecstra Foundation which focuses on building money skills in young people and enabling them to make good financial choices both now and into the future.

**Teacher - Rob Berlin**



## IMPORTANT DATES

### JUNE

**21** Governing Council Meeting

### JULY

**3** NAIDOC week

**7** **Early Dismissal - 2.15pm**

### AUGUST

**14-18** National Science Week

**18** Miniature Debutante Ball

**21-25** Book Week - "Paws for Books" Book Fair

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## NEW STUDENTS

We would like to welcome the Connell family to the School community, with students Dylan (Year 2/3 class) and Kai (Year 1/2 class) having commenced school this term in Week 7. Having relocated from Indonesia, the students first language is Bahasa Indonesia, however both boys have been learning and speaking English.

**Welcome - Selamat datang**



## LANGUAGES - CHINESE TEACHER VISIT



**Chinese Teacher  
Lan Shi Lan Zhang**

During T2 Week 6, the School was very fortunate to have Ms Lao Shi Lan Zhang ("Lan"), a Chinese teacher from Open Access College visit, as part of the School's Chinese language program. Over the 2 days, Lan's time with students included: playing bingo using the Chinese characters and traditional Chinese clothing dress ups (Year 1/2); kite design, assembly and kite flying (Year 5/6); and dumpling making with the Year (7/8); which coincided nicely as the students are currently learning about cultural cuisine. The newsletter insert features some images of the class activities.

## LIONS MAD MINUTE

The School's Year 5 students participated in the annual Lions Mad Minute competition, on Wednesday 8 June 2023, adjudicated by Lions Club members, Mr Greg Driscoll and Ms Beryl Mahoney (as pictured). Students were required to choose a topic of their choice and to present to the judges for 1 minute, with the 3 highest ranked speakers and a reserve (4th ranked) to progress to the "Final Challenge", competing with other students at Mt Gambier High School. The adjudicators also awarded special mention certificates at the conclusion of the competition. With all students bravely taking on the challenge of an impromptu presentation, and speaking wonderfully when it was their time before the judges, a big well done to all! Congratulations to the following top ranked speakers:

- 1st - Jace Smith** ("An important lesson that I have learned")
- 2nd- Madison Carlin** ("All children should get pocket money")
- 3rd - Eliza Hannigan** ("Every day should be casual clothes day")
- 4th - Maya Coutts** (reserve) "Netball is the best game"

**Teacher - Nicole Biggins**



**Mad Minute place getters  
& special mention certificate**



**L-R: Eliza Hannigan,  
Madison Carlin, Jace Smith**

## SPARE CLOTHING

We are in desperate need of smaller sized socks, underwear, trackpants, school shirts and jumpers. (Size 5 - 8) During the winter months, the demand for clean dry clothing increases significantly due to wet play equipment, puddles and general accidents when using water taps and/or going to the bathroom. If you have any items that you are willing to donate either new or in good condition, please drop off to the front office at your earliest possible convenience. Thank-you in anticipation.

## JAM BAND VISIT

On Wednesday week 7, the JAM (Just Add Music) Band performed in the gym for our school. Attended by the School's Foundation to Year 6 classes and joined by students from Kirinari Kindergarten, Moorak, Yahl and Kongorong primary schools. JAM BAND came from Adelaide, they are a 7 piece band and performed for over an hour. There were drums, guitar, base, saxophone and singers. Many students from all the school participated on stage and in the audience. They played lots of contemporary, fun songs that everyone knew and could sing along to. For each song students joined in on stage, there were costumes, props, dances and more. Mr O'Connor dressed up in an inflatable flamingo costume which was absolutely gorgeous and suited him perfectly! There was a SpongeBob costume, a piece of toast, Minecraft and a rubix cube costume. Some students went up on stage to play a game of dancing follow the leader, a giant Uno game which tuned into a parody of 'We don't talk about Bruno' from Encanto, and some funky penguins. A highlight was the Mario Theme Medley, with lots of Marios, Princess Peach, Luigi, Bowser, mushrooms and more. It was a giant, interactive Mario game!

We all joined in for a Nutbush dance as a tribute to the late, great Tina Turner which got everyone on their feet. The finale was 'Floating Through Space', where lots of students dressed up as planets and astronauts, the lights were turned off and they held spinning LED lamps to transform the gym into space. It was an incredible, interactive and FUN experience for all involved, and we were so lucky to have them visit our school once again, and share the experience with other schools in the area. The performance was a big hit with both students and teachers, and we look forward to many future fun, educational musical events.

**Teacher - Lucy Ridley**



## CHOIR

The School's choir meets every Wednesday, with the group having the opportunity to learn and sing songs such as "Proud Mary", "South Australian Seas", "Charleston", "Smile, Whisper", "I am the Earth", "Follow your Dreams" and more. There are two parts to the choir - sopranos and altos. The sopranos are Mya, Ava, Eliza S, Sophia and Milah, with the Altos Zoe, Mya, Eliza L, Shawn, George, Molly and Casey. The choir are currently learning harmonies, with the lessons also including stretches and song practices. An example of the stretching exercises are moving our eyebrows up and down and moving the mouths around. At the moment the choir's practice songs are "Picking up a pepperoni pizza", "Little Liza Jane" and "Lean Forwards, Lean Backwards". Choir member Zoe thinks it is fun to sing songs and to try out for solos, as well as visiting other schools for practices and to learn new songs. The work during the year culminates with the choir, who normally look resplendent in a new coloured shirt, having the opportunity to perform at the Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre with all the other schools in the area.

**Information supplied by: Zoe Vandeppeer**

## MUSIC STUDENTS

Each Friday Brendon Williams attends the School to provide guitar lessons to those students who have expressed interest. The lessons take place on a one on one basis or in a group lesson for a duration of 30 minutes. Students who do not own their own guitar are able to borrow an instrument, with their parents/care givers consent and via the School's Borrower's Agreement.



Year 4/5 - Jaxon Hulse



Year 5/6 - Cole Keane



Year 4/5 - Eliza Lanigan

## FRIDAY FAIRY

The latest addition to the School, the 'Friday Fairy' made her first appearance last Friday to recognise the efforts of the first recipient, Year 1/2 Leo McGregor.

The Friday Fairy will make a visit as required, to the School and to a student who is believed to have shown kindness, respect to others and has taken the initiative to do something extra to make the School a positive place to be. Along with a surprise visit from the fairy, the student chosen is able to select a small gift from the Fairy Treasure Box.

A big thank you and congratulations to Leo for his extra efforts, and also thank you to the Friday Fairy!



## SUPPORT SERVICES

You may recall seeing a copy of the flyer (pictured right), recently posted on the School's Facebook site. With the cost of living continuing to rise, we would like to remind all parents and caregivers of the support services that are available from, or facilitated by the School. In addition to the "Time for Check-in" meeting support, the School can also provide Rapid Relief Food Boxes (incl: pantry items, tinned food), Spare Ya Change 4 Kids frozen meals (single serve casserole/pasta meals) and FoodBank vouchers. The Breakfast Club (each weekday morning) and the Lunch Club (12.40pm- 1.10pm) are also available for students to access. For any enquiries, please contact Carla Doody or Sarah Stratford at the School.

**Do you need SUPPORT?**

We know there are times when students and families need support and we want you to know we are here to help!

Allendale East Area School offers the following:

- "Time for check-in"  
Carla Doody  
Monday, Lesson 2 + 3  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Lesson 3  
Friday, Lesson 2 + 3  
Sarah Stratford  
Tuesday, Lesson 2  
Thursday, Lesson 3  
Friday, Lesson 1
- "Food Relief"  
Breakfast Club - EVERY weekday morning  
Lunch Club - EVERY lunchtime 12:40pm - 1:10pm  
Food Bank - Vouchers Available  
Rapid Relief Food Boxes

If you or your Family need any support or would like to access any of the services, please contact Carla or Sarah.

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