An Enterprising Community

Allendale East Area School
NEWSLETTER

Term 4, Week 1.
Monday, 14th October, 2013.

Principal - Mrs Beth Mahony
Deputy Principal - Mr Chris Peters
Governing Council Chairperson - Mr Grant Fensom

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IMPORTANT DATES
10th Sept - 31st October    Port MacDonnell Library
Art Exhibition

TERM DATES - 14th October - 13th December

TERM 4 / WEEK 1
14th October - 17th    Reception / Year 1/2/3 Swimming
15th October - 18th    Year 10 Girls Arapiles Camp

A TERM PLANNER WILL BE SENT HOME NEXT WEEK.

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IMPORTANT - RECEPTION TO YEAR 3 SWIMMING CHANGE
Swimming Lessons this week are at the Swimskool (Waterhole in Keegan Street).
In 2014 all year levels will have their lessons at the Aquatic Centre in Term 1.
Sincere apologies for the mistake on swimming notes.
Please ring if this effects your child’s consent form. Beth Mahony.

Wakakirri Melbourne

The Active8 Arts group recently travelled to Melbourne to compete for the first time in the Wakakirri Story Dance Competition. Wakakirri replaced the previously axed Secondary Schools’ Rock Eisteddfod events, and therefore provided a great opportunity for our students to once again perform on a professional stage with our peers. Wakakirri was not offered in Adelaide.

30 students from years 8-12 made the trip with staff and parents to perform in front of hundreds at the Melbourne Convention Centre on Thursday 12 September. We competed against many private and public schools from around Victoria. Our piece, titled “Not Meant To Be Broken…..Society Rules” was well received and dealt with issues to do with the world and societies that we live in. We gained inspiration from news headlines of recent times about schools that had banned such things as cartwheels, ball games, high fives, hugs….even the blowing out of birthday candles. Some of the imagery we used included bubble wrap and antibacterial products to represent fear of germs and danger, and we communicated messages about living without unfounded fear of injury, failure and litigation. The “prisoners of society” wore orange prison style costumes for much of the piece to assist with the story. Kath Riley again choreographed a fantastic piece with support from students.

A panel of judges including Jason Coleman (So You Think You Can Dance) are currently still in the process of deciding award winners. None of the awards were presented on the event night, with results instead being announced on Wakakirri TV on October 25, through their website. Nominations were posted at Wakakirri.com very late last term and the awards we have been nominated for are:

Best Soundtrack Mix
Best Leading Role by a Female

Students should be proud of their year’s work, culminating in a high standard of performance. The competition was the toughest we have seen and we are thrilled to be up for these two awards. Thanks go to all of the parents and friends who travelled to Melbourne to support us and to all the helpers back at school, particularly Lucy Ridley who was a team teacher all year but could not attend due to the choir trip to Adelaide the same week, and Jill Newby who also assisted with costumes. Thanks also to Grant Cuthbert for supporting us on the trip.

April Hague
Active8 Arts Coordinator

More photos on back page …
Welcome back to Term 4!

Keep a look out next week for our exciting new menu!

Please contact me if you have spare time to help out...

Tracy Bald / Canteen Manager

Community Notices

ROYAL LIFE SAVING MOUNT GAMBIER - Season starts on October 18th at 4.30pm at the Olympic Pool, Margaret Street. The Mount Gambier Royal Life Saving Swimming Club is a small Club dedicated to teaching the slessential skills of pool life saving in a fun, friendly and relaxed atmosphere. New members are always welcome. You just need to be able to safely swim 25 metres. Contact: Robyn Collins on 0437 268229 or Sue England on 0418 828944.

COMPTON PRIMARY SCHOOL 150TH CELEBRATIONS - In 2013 Compton Primary School is celebrating 150 years of education. Celebrations will be on November 1st, 2nd, 3rd November. If you are a past student, staff member, or know or anyone, please contact Kerry Walter at the Compton Primary School on 87251723.

TAI-CHI - is back on! Tuesdays at the Port MacDonnell Community Complex at 2pm. $5.00 per person.

DISCOVER SAILING DAYS - At the Port MacDonnell Sailing Club, Sea Parade on 27th October at 1pm. It’s a great way to find out about sailing, spending a free enjoyable day at the Club and sharing your first sail with family and friends. For more information, contact - Dave Evans 87253177 / Robin White 87256560.

CALLING LOCAL ARTISTS 2013 - For upcoming exhibition at the Port MacDonnell Community Complex. Have you got something you would like to exhibit? Paintings (any medium), drawings, photography, pottery, craft / quilts, sculptures, etc. Contact the Complex for an application or further information on 87383000.

PORT MACDONNELL GOLF CLUB NEWS - Friday Night Teas are recommencing on 11th October. Come along and enjoy a friendly atmosphere. Bookings and enquiries phone - 0439 382 452. Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 27th November at 7.00pm. Apologies to Aaron Pitson on 0438 382 039. Start of the season is here! Tee off at 4pm.

SOUTH EAST ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE - Are calling all children old enough to manage their family dog on a lead up to and including the age of 13 to enter your dog in 'Fashions On The Field' - For dogs only. $5 to enter, includes registration to walk the lake. Great prizes and giveaways. The event is held on Sunday, 3rd November to compliment our annual fundraiser. PAWS around the Blue Lake dog walk starts at the old archery field. 9.30am - Dog Registration on the day. 12pm to 1pm - Fashions on Field Judging. BBQ Lunch / Cappuccinos, soft drink, water, ice cream / Pet services / Micro chipping / Canine massage, Professional Pet Portraits.

THE BAY MARKET IS ON THIS SUNDAY!
FROM 10.00AM TO 2PM AT THE PORT MACDONNELL COMMUNITY COMPLEX!
MARKETS WILL BE HELD ON THE 3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH FROM OCTOBER TO MARCH 2014!
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, VISIT www.portmacdonnell.sa.au OR PHONE 87 383000.

BAY MARKET

Come and support our Governing Council Fundraiser by enjoying an egg & bacon sandwich or sizzling sausage at the Bay Market this Sunday.

A great opportunity to see the Allendale East Reception to Year 12 Art Exhibition in the Library Complex or purchase something from one of the many stalls.

FUNDRAISER DONATIONS

Can you spare a carton of eggs or a packet of bacon? Any donations towards our fundraiser barbeque at the Bay Market this Sunday can be dropped off at the School Front Office during school hours. Thank you.
Ten students, four staff and several keen parents supported each other to participate in the 24 hour Pedal Prix race at Murray Bridge last term. We Joined with MHS and GHS, sharing a Pit area, supervision and food arrangements. It was a very challenging event for our students and staff who discovered that 24hours of pedal powered racing was quite an endurance feat when sleep deprived and physically exhausted. They worked together as one to repair damage to the vehicle showing resilience to keep going and getting to the end of the race. Even when the vehicle required a huge amount of work and was out of action for quite some time, they encouraged each other to get to the finish line. Billy Moir was cheered on enthusiastically as he took the final laps to complete the circuit, oblivious to the heat and tiredness he did an extra two victory laps to celebrate the team’s success. Congratulations to the students who participated- Natasha Treacy, Felicity Treacy, Grace Millard, Angie Williams, Jock Carrison, Billy Moir, Liam Panther, Grady Hutchesson, Matt Howard and Jarred Mansell. Many thanks to the parents and Gill O’Connor and Kevin Douglas for their hardwork and support.

Rob Whittaker & Beth Mahony

Mount Gambier Community Bank Scholarship can help relieve some of that cost for students who are looking at relocating to take up their University course offer.

Our Scholarship is awarded for two years (subject to satisfactory academic performance), and is valued at $5000 per annum.

The Scholarship criteria stipulates that the applicant -
1. Is a first-time tertiary student (undergraduate).
2. Has been offered a full-time place at an Australian University or College Campus and all study will take place within Australia.
3. Is a school leaver (or has taken a gap year);
4. Can demonstrate special circumstances (financial and/or social); and
5. Is an Australian citizen or permanent resident.


To keep up-to-date with the latest information, ‘LIKE’ our facebook page www.facebook.com/MountGambierDistrictCommunityBankBranch, or visit www.bendigobank.com.au/scholarships

Milo In2 Cricket is on next week! It will be starting on Monday, 21st October and will go until Monday, 9th December / Week 9. Cost is $60 for insurance and the equipment pack - Backpack, hat, bat, ball and drink bottle. You can enrol on the afternoon of the first session or online on the In2 Cricket S.A. Website.

Sessions will be held in the A.E.A.S. gym from 3.30pm to 4.30pm. They are for Reception to Year 3 students.

Reminder - It is an expectation that a parent of carer is present at each In2 Cricket session and supports their child. I will run games and activities for the first half hour and then parents manage simple skill stations for the second half of each hour long session.

Please contact me if you have any queries.

Melvin Chesser / Coordinator
CLASS PLACEMENTS 2014

As we prepare for the 2014 School year, one of our tasks is Class Placements, particularly in the primary classes of the school. Teachers will be requesting information from students about their friendships and together with understanding students’ needs they will be placing students in classes for next year. At this stage we are unsure of the class configurations, for example, if we will have two Reception / Year 1, Year 2/3 or Year 3/4 classes etc. This decision is made on the number of students at different year levels and consistency in the size of the classes.

We value the information that parents can provide us in making decisions about the configuration of classes and would ask that if you have concerns about your child’s placement, that you either speak to the current class teachers or write a letter to myself or Chris Peters so that we can take these concerns into account. Sometimes the issues can be about children not coping well with each other and therefore being placed in different classes, or you may have concerns about your child’s academic progress. We would prefer information in writing and this will be dealt with confidentially.

As we are also aware that families often decide to re-locate at the end of the year we would appreciate any information about changes to enrolments and if you are aware of any new families, please let us know so that we can send them an enrolment package. Thank you.

Beth Mahony / Principal

JUNIOR CLASSES WILL RECEIVE A PAMPHLET ABOUT BASKETBALL AT THE ICEHOUSE FOR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN JOINING. SPARE PAMPHLETS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE FRONT OFFICE ON REQUEST.

PLEASE REMEMBER THIS TERM IS NO HAT, NO PLAY!

Dianne Bailey-Walters / Christian Pastoral Support Worker

‘Never make someone a priority when all you are to them is an option’

A Lunchtime Activities list for Term 4 is included with today’s Newsletter.

MRS SPORTON’S CLASS - TREE PLANTING ON DINGLEY DELL ROAD