Di Bailey-Walters has been our CPSW for almost 7 years and over those years has built up a great rapport with students, staff and parents. Her role is mostly funded through the Federal Government Chaplaincy Scheme with some support from the Mount Gambier Inter-Church Council and the Allendale East Community. Recently we surveyed the school community about the work she does and received an overwhelming response about the positive impact she has within the school.

The surveys were initiated by the Schools Ministry group who complete regular reviews of CPSWs and their benefit to schools. The panel were very pleased to re-new Di’s contract with the school for a further two years, as long as Federal Funding continues for the program.

Di works at Allendale on Thursdays and Fridays. She involves herself in most school activities when they fit into her timetable and her lunch time programs are very popular with a wide range of students. Di also involves herself in class activities supporting and engaging students in their lessons.

Some comments made in the surveys ...

Students -
- She is fun and nice.
- Helps me when I am sad.
- Having a place to go at lunch.
- Easy to approach and welcomes everyone.
- It would be nice to see more of her.

Parents -
- She is a great listener and a valuable member of our school.
- Di has made a difference just by her presence, being at the school and available for children to interact with someone other than parents or teachers.
- My children felt very comfortable with Di despite our family having no religious background.

Staff -
- Di has a positive relationship with the students, therefore they feel comfortable to attend school and approach her with any issues.
- She takes time to visit most classes.
- Her presence in the classroom really does change student attitudes.
Canteen News

**Canteen Specials!**

- **Wednesday** - M. & M. Cookies 80c
- **Thursday** - Choc Chip Muffins $1.50
- **Friday** - Pikelets 50c

Tracy Bald / Canteen Manager

Community Notices

**THE BAY MARKET IS ON THIS WEEKEND - SUNDAY, 16TH MARCH FROM 10AM TO 2PM!**

**PORT MACDONNELL MARITIME MUSEUM** - Annual Memberships are now due. Adult Membership costs $6.00. Being a member entitles you to free entry into the Museum until 1/1/2015. Please pay at the Port MacDonnell Community Complex - For enquiries phone 87383000.

**THE MARY CUDMORE GIRLS INTO GOLF PROGRAM** - Ages 10 to 14 years, to be held at the Scotch College, Carruth Road, Torrens Park, S.A. From 14th - 16th April. Hosted by Golf SA. If anyone is interested or would like further information please see Leonie at the Front Office.

ASHTON’S BOOK CLUB / ISSUE 2 - CLOSING DATE IS FRIDAY, 14TH MARCH 2014.

**ALLENDALE EAST AREA SCHOOL TOGETHER WITH THE CUSTOMS HOUSE INVITE YOU TO ATTEND AN EVENING OF WINE TASTING**

*Sponsored by Raidis Estate, Patrick of Coonawarra & Mother of Pearl Wines*

- **Fridays March 28th** - 7pm to Midnight
- **The Customs House, Port MacDonnell**
- **Dress Code: Cocktail**

Enjoy a night of wine tasting and entertainment with proceeds supporting the Agriculture & LED Steer Program at AEA.

**Entertainment by Maddy Murdoch**

**Tickets $35 per person**

Over 18's only. Wine for tasting & nibbles supplied. BYO other drinks.

**Rsvp by Wednesday March 19th to:**

DANIELLE WESTBROOK AT AEA PH: 8738 7218 OR GRANT FENSM PH: 0418 854 595

Some wine will be available for purchase from the wineries on the night.

IMPORTANT / SCHOOL FEES

**School Fees are now overdue.**

If paying by instalments, 1st instalment was due on 14th February, 2nd instalment is due on 7th March, 3rd due on 28th March and 4th and final instalment due on 10th April.

School Card needs to be applied for each year. If you need a School Card Form, please contact the Front Office. If a School Card Form is not received, then we presume that you will be paying full fees.

You can direct debit through BizGate on our website. If paying by credit card, please don’t forget to include the 3 digit number on the back.

If you have any queries, please contact Hope Bliss at School as soon as possible. Thank you.

**PORT MACDONNELL NETBALL CLUB ARE HOLDING A DISCO!**

**When** - Friday, 21st March

**Time** - 6.30pm to 8pm

**Where** - Port MacDonnell Football Club

**Ages** - Up to ages 13 / Under 5 years of age must be accompanied by an adult

**Price** - $7.00 which includes supper

All lollies, chips and drinks 50c each

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

Will be held on Tuesday, April 1st.
Students learnt about the role of the United Nations in highlighting the need for basic human rights.

It was very informative and students enjoyed the activities.
Congratulations to Jason Watts for a wonderful display of Courage and Respect on Sportsday.

Jason was commended by many for his selfless encouragement of another student when supporting him around the track to make sure he finished the 400 metre race and receive a ribbon.

A fantastic moment at Sportsday Jason, reflecting the general spirit of the day that was seen in the interactions between many students.

Congratulations to Zak Glynn for displaying our school value of Excellence.

Zak’s descriptive writing task about Gallipoli was completed to an Excellent standard, using metaphors and similes to create the feeling of you ‘being there’.

Well done Zak!
An outstanding example of creative language.

Zak Glynn’s Descriptive Writing Task About Gallipoli

The Class had to describe the beach of Gallipoli in 1915, using 5 senses - Taste / Smell / Sight / Hearing / Touch …

We arrive at Gallipoli Beach 1915. On arrival we realise we are in the wrong spot. Scared and shocked, fear hits our hearts. I can see enemy soldiers firing down at us, sand flies up as the thick smell of smoke pollutes the air. Still firing, we try to find cover, no hope, despair.

Australian bodies litter the battlefield, there is no escape, trapped like monkeys in a box. Young boys fall beside me, it is agony. The sound of gun fire reverberates through my head, sending bright flashes of pain behind my eyes. The pain is so intense, I can see it.

The taste of lead and smoke fills my lungs, gun powder hangs in the air like mist on a winters day.

By Zak Glynn / Year 7