Dear Beth,

We just wanted to say another big thank you for your generosity and being such a lovely host to us at your school. All the girls, boys and staff were very appreciative of the warm welcome we received and sincerely thank you for making our stay so nice.

As promised here is a write up about the weekend for you to put in your newsletter. This was written by one of our students who is part of the senior stage band at Santa Maria. I have also attached some photos that you might want to use in your newsletter.

Thank you very much.

Mae Loy / Music and Drama Teacher / Year 7 Instrumental Exploration Program Coordinator

Generations in Jazz is an annual jazz band competition for high school students hosted each year in Mt Gambier, South Australia. The weekend is full of toe tapping jazz, screaming trumpets and groovy base lines. This year we were fortunate enough to be able to enter four bands over 2 divisions. As part of the competition you can enter into a division from 1-5, you get placed and have the opportunity to win some great prizes. The calibre for all the bands from division 1-5 is extremely high and it’s amazing to see what other schools all across the country are achieving. Our Santa Maria stage band entered into division 5 and got congratulated by the judging panel which was a huge honour for girls who have only been playing for about a year. Over the weekend we were able to listen to many professional jazz musicians and the highlight of all these were the performances by ‘James Morrison’, ‘The Idea of North’ and ‘Gordon Goodwins Big Phat Band’! Gordon Goodwins Big Phat Band were a particular highlight as they are an amazing 18 piece jazz ensemble that inspired all of us to practice a little harder.

“We would like to give our thanks to all the staff, students and the community of Allendale East Area School for the extreme warm welcome we received! We would not have been able to enjoy ourselves let alone compete without the amazing hospitality offered to us.”

Alice Kurowski (Drama Captain and Member of the Senior Stage Band)

Thank you very much.
Canteen News

This week's Specials!

TUESDAY / RECESS - Choc Chip Scones $1.00
WEDNESDAY / RECESS - Pizza Scrolls $1.20
THURSDAY / LUNCH SPECIAL - Year 6-12
Fish & Chips or Calamari & Chips $5.00 each
Special ... Cup of Juice 60c

Tracy Bald / Canteen Manager

Community Notices

BAYSIDE FESTIVAL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - Port MacDonnell Bayside Festival Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 11th June at 7.00pm in the Port MacDonnell Community Complex. Apologies to Liz Donovan on 0438 756 774. All new Members welcome!

BIGGEST MORNING TEA - THANK YOU! Lynette Simpson would like to thank Victoria Hotel, Gloria Jeans Coffee and all the donors of the raffle prizes for their support. The final amount raised was $1565.80. Thank you also to everyone who attended and to all who helped in anyway. A great effort!

SCHOLARSHIP SERVICE - Supported by the Rotary Club of Mount Gambier West. Looking for a scholarship? Looking to further your studies? For assistance with scholarship information, please make an appointment at the Career Development Centre on 08 87251471.

NANCY BATES LIVE AT THE CITY BAND HALL - Talented Barkindji woman Nancy Bates, a singer-songwriter – comedian and popular part of the national Aboriginal music community will be performing on Friday, 30th May from 5pm to 8pm at the City Band Hall, Pick Avenue, Mount Gambier. For further information, a flyer is available from the School Front Office.

CIRCUS ROYALE - Will be at the Mount Gambier Showgrounds from June 4th to 9th. Onsite ticket office open Show Days from 10am. Phone bookings - 0410 669 253. Six animal acts, and lots more! Further information available from School Front Office. Visit www.circusroyale.com.au

MAY 31ST / MOUNT BURR HOME GAME - Flight Night!
See Brooke or Zack Williams for tickets. Phone - 87382363.

ASHTON'S BOOK CLUB / ISSUE 4 - CLOSING DATE IS FRIDAY, 13TH JUNE, 2014.

Ms Mitchell’s Specialist Netball Class of year 8 & 9’s played in the Henley Netball exchange at Olympic Park against Henley, Grant High, Mount High and Tenison.

We lost our first 3 games. We beat Grant High in the cross over final game at the end with a score of - Allendale 32 to Grant High 9.

It was a great day, students were well behaved and had fun and the weather was lovely.

All students switched positions to have a go at different areas.

Thanks to KD for driving the bus.

Rachelle McKay
**BREAKFAST CLUB**

Our Breakfast Club Program will be starting up again in Week 6 on Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday's from 8.30am. Toast and warm Milo will be available from the canteen.

**TERM DATES FOR 2014**

Term 2  28th April - 4th July  
Term 3  21st July - 26th September  
Term 4  13th October - 12th December

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**STAFF PROFILE**

Leonie Feast

Leonie is employed part time at Allendale East Area School as an SSO working in the Front Office. As well as office duties, handing out band aids and ice packs, Leonie is responsible for the weekly Newsletter.

Favourite Song - Let Her Go / Passenger  
Food - Chinese  
Holidays - Darwin  
Interests - Reading / Shopping / Beach / Spending time with family

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**CAREERS FUN DAY ‘Calling For Any Volunteers’**

This year our theme for Fun Day is ‘Careers’. Students will be running stalls based on various careers and we will be encouraging students to dress up as ‘Something they would like to be’. We are also inviting families and friends from the school community to set up interactive stalls to showcase their chosen careers or skills. This could include things like sports coaching, hairdressing, cooking, crafts, jewellery making, music or anything else you feel you can offer.

We welcome any suggestions, and ideas are only limited by your imagination!

If you are interested, please let Kath or Leonie in the Front Office know.

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**Year 7 into Year 8 Transition Day and Parent Tour This Tuesday 27th May**

On Tuesday 27th May, the Year 7 students will participate in a program of activities aimed at giving them a taste of what Year 8 will be like for them in 2015!

Art, Agriculture, Tech Studies and a scavenger hunt at Port MacDonnell will feature, along with participation by senior students, in the role of mentors.

After school, at 3.30, students will have the opportunity to do cooking in Home Ec while parents are guided on a tour, led by our School Captains and our Principal, Mrs Beth Mahony.

Conclusion of the tour will be 4.30pm.

Parents will have the opportunity for questions and discussion at any point.

We hope to see as many parents as possible attend the tour to view our fabulous facilities, whilst hearing about the great educational opportunities that are provided at Allendale East Area School.

Comprehensive information packs were sent home last week with the Year 7 students as well as being presented to Kongorong Primary Year 6/7 students. These packs contain a great deal of important and useful information about the transition process and our school.

Regards,

Suzie Mitchell / Middle School and Literacy Coordinator.
An Enterprising Community

Reception - Miss Breanna - RILEY FERGUSON - For being an Inventions Expert!

Reception / Year 1 - Miss Tanielle / Miss Hogg - WIL LEWIS - For always trying hard in all classroom activities and being kind to others.

Year 2 - Mrs Neu - COOPER MILLARD - Excellent Recount Writing.

Year 3/4 - Mrs O’Connor - HOLLY WATSON - For writing a detailed book report about her novel using the correct structure. Well done Holly!

Year 5/6 - Mrs Newby / Mrs Biggins - KEYARNAH SMITH - For excellent participation in all Chinese Lessons.

Year 6/7 - Mrs Murdoch - ZACH KAIN - For a fabulously positive attitude and excellent work ethic.

IMPORTANT / SCHOOL FEES - School Fees are now overdue

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.

Jelly Baby Fundraisers

FOR SALE:
Jelly Babies in the Canteen
$3 per bag

CASUAL DAY:
Friday, Week 5, 30th May, 2014
Cost: Gold coin donation

COLOURING IN COMPETITION:
Entries close Thursday, Week 5
Prizes awarded on casual day

Brought to you by the SRC

Da Vinci Excursion Reminder ...

Consent forms and money are due back. Excursion is this Thursday, 29th May.

If parents wish to come along and meet us in Mount Gambier, they are welcome. There will be an entrance fee to pay at the Exhibition.

Please let your child’s class teacher know if you are attending. Thank you.

HEADLICE

There have been several reported cases of Headlice in the Primary area. Please check your children’s hair and report any eggs or lice to the Front Office. If infected, your child will need to be checked at the Front Office before returning to school.

We have shampoo and spray available for $17.50 each at the Front Office.

Your support and cooperation with this matter is much appreciated.

WOOD CHIPS FOR SALE

On the back oval at school, we have a pile of wood chips that is available for parents and community members to purchase. The cost is $20 per trailer or ute load and payment must be made at the School Front Office prior to collection. Please ensure you drive around the perimeter of both ovals, not across the middle.