The school exhibits have again been successful at the Mount Gambier Spring Show. The agriculture program entered two steers in the Led Steer Competition and four sheep into the schools Prime Lamb Competition.

This year the Pastoral Committee of the show launched the Prime Lamb Competition to raise awareness about the sheep industry and encourage the next generation of farmers. Schools were invited to enter two pairs of sheep to meet the supermarket and export trade.

We entered a pair of Dorpers donated by Tina and Leigh Collins in the trade class and a pair of Cashmore Oaklea wethers in the export trade that were donated by James and Sally Beck. Judging took place on Friday at the show and overall we were awarded 3rd place for our export sheep.

The led steer judging was undertaken on Thursday prior to the show commencing. We competed with two steers; a Shorthorn x Charolais and a Maine Anjou. Once the hoof judging was complete the steers were loaded and heading for Naracoorte for the hook judging to begin. In this class we were awarded Champion Steer on Hook (1st overall) for our Shorthorn x Charolais, with a total of 88.07 points out of 100. For this we were presented with a significant cheque of $500 from Teys Australia and SA Beef Breeders Association.

Following the hoof judging various students competed in the handling competitions. Students were nominated based on their experience and were divided up into novice and experienced handlers. Jock Carrison (year 11) was awarded Champion Novice Handler and Billy Moir (year 12) won Champion Open Handler, both of these students were first overall in their retrospective classes.

I am extremely proud of these boys for their achievements and all the students who attended and prepared and presented the steers on the day.

I would like to thank several people for their assistance both leading up to and during the show. Firstly our steer breeders Neil and Helen Shepherd of Kongorong and Clint Warden and Bridget Fry of NSW who supplied the animals to the school. Secondly, Brad Lucas for clipping the steers leading up to the competition day. Thirdly, Leigh Collins for transporting our steers to the Mount Gambier Showgrounds and last but not least, Marian Hodson (Deputy Principal) for accompanying us on show day.

Danielle Westbrook / Ag Teacher
Canteen News

LAMINGTON DRIVE

We will be having a Lamington Drive this term …

Order Forms will be sent home with every family this week …

Great for freezing for Christmas!

Thanks in advance for your support!

Tracy Bald / Canteen Manager

Operation 7– 8

Transition from primary school to high school can be an exciting and demanding time for the whole family.

The Partnership Brokers would like all families of Year 7 students to receive a copy of the Operation 7-8 Booklet.

These booklets give you lots of hints and tips to help a successful transition socially, academically organisationally.

If you or your child did not receive a copy, please contact the School Front Office.

Community Notices

PORT MACDONNELL GOLF CLUB - OPEN EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT ... TEE OFF FROM 4PM. MEALS FROM 6-8PM. TAKE AWAYS AVAILABLE. EVERYONE IS WELCOME. Phone - 0437536666 for bookings. Lucky Number Winners - Card 1 / Simon Cram (1), Card 2 / Briodie Wilson (13), Card 3 / Pitto (24).

PORT MACDONNELL NETBALL CLUB AGM - To be held TONIGHT, Monday, 17th November at 7pm at the Netball Clubrooms. All welcome. Apologies to Lauren Lewis - 0407 610 577.

PORT MACDONNELL FOOTBALL CLUB AGM - To be held THIS Thursday, 20th November at 7pm at the Football Clubrooms. All members to attend. Apologies to Cathie Williams - 87 382363.

MIXED SUMMER NETBALL COMPETITION / EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST - To be held at the Port MacDonnell Netball Club starting Wednesday, 14th January 2015 to 25th February, 2015. COST - Registration - $10.00 per person / $5.00 per person each week to play. Rules - Must be 16 and over. Only 3 males are allowed on the court at one time. To register a team, please contact Narelle Lewis 0418 939 712 by Friday, 21st November.

PORT MACDONNELL & DISTRICT MARITIME MUSEUM AGM - Will be held on Tuesday, 25th November at 7.30pm at the Port MacDonnell Community Complex. This will be your opportunity to see for yourself the additions and improvements. We will welcome any suggestions for work you feel would further improve our museum. Hope to see you there!

Principal's Award

Congratulations to Emma-Lee Howarth and Angie Williams for their outstanding display of Courage and Excellence at the Ag Experience Presentation Day.

Students from the local secondary schools who were involved in this course presented a final summary of their learning to other students and guests.

Angie and Emma-Lee both spoke confidently with excellent presentations.

Well done girls!
Students from 6/7 class took part in Remembrance Day at Port MacDonnell, reading poetry and observing a minutes silence with the members of the Port MacDonnell RSL and community. Thank you to all the parents and friends who attended.

Julie Murdoch

MATERIALS AND SERVICES CHARGES 2015

Included with this newsletter is a copy of the Notice of Materials and Services Charges for the 2015 school year for Primary and Secondary Students.

You are invited to attend the Governing Council meeting where the attached watermarked “Notice of Charges” will be discussed, prior to approval being sought. In lieu of attendance at the meeting, you can express your views in writing to the Chairperson of the Governing Council. Please send a RSVP if you wish to attend this meeting to hope.bliss618@schools.sa.edu.au

Governing Council Meeting to be held:
When: Monday 24th November 2014
Time: 5:30pm
Where: Staffroom

Governing Council sent home a parent survey several weeks ago with each family. Please complete and return to the School Front Office as soon as possible. Thank you ...

STAFF PROFILE

Robert Whittaker

Job Description - Tech Studies - Helping all students to engage with the topic …

Interests – Riding Motorcycles and watching Moto GP.

Favourite Song - Burning Love - Elvis Presley.

Favourite Food - Pizza.
Shooting For The Stars!

Reception - Miss Breanna - JETT LEWIS - For talking confidently in your Sharing’s Caring.
Reception / Year 1 - Miss Tanielle / Mrs Telford - KAI GILMORE - For always being on task and finishing his work.
Year 2 - Mrs Neu - ZAK PRIDDLE - For great recount writing.
Year 3/4 - Mrs Sporton - AINSLEY GILLINGS - For her participation and enthusiasm during guided reading and commitment to reading regularly at home.
Year 3/4 - Mrs O’Connor / Ms Punton - KOBI BUCKINGHAM & LUKE BALD - For thinking mathematically and completing the challenging extension problem solving questions.
Year 5/6 - Mrs Newby / Mrs Biggins - RUSSELL NESBITT-WILLIAMS - For amazing improvement in reading results.
Year 6/7 - Mrs Murdoch - AJ HEINRICH - Developing some consistency with the quality of written tasks, like Imagery, Journal and Spelling.

**IMPORTANT INTERNET SAFETY TIPS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS**

Whatever your children use, you must use as well. Set up accounts on the same sites to ensure that they are suitable and the interactions appropriate. Engage with them online. This also allows you to know how these applications work.

**INFANT SIMULATOR DOLL REPORT**

During week 3 & 4 over the dates of Thursday 30th October to Friday 7th November, a number of the YEAR 10 students were involved in the Infant simulator care experience. This involved the students selecting one of two options of a 3 Day 2 night or a 1 day and 1 night experience with the infant simulator dolls.

The students received a short training on how to use the infant simulator dolls and the following equipment – Infant simulator doll, 2 nappies, 1 bottle, 1 breast feeding clip, 1 ID chip and a instructions card. Thankyou to Mr Chessler for allowing me to come into his class time to speak with students and all school staff for supporting students during the time these students had the infant simulators in the school and during class times. It is an invaluable experience that Allendale students are fortunate enough to enjoy.

All involved students achieved a proper care percentage of more than 65%, with 1 student achieving 100%. They were - Kacee Glynn, Chloe Fensom, Chris Sylvester, Cynthia Harris, Grace Millard, Jayde Sollitt, Natasha Treacey and Tomae Ebejer.

Rachelle McKay

Note: Awards Day is held on Wednesday, 26th November, not a Friday as advertised in last week’s Newsletter. Apologies for this oversight ...

Our annual Awards Presentation Day will be held on - Wednesday, 26th November at 1.30pm in the Gym.

This important day recognises a wide range of achievements across all year levels with Awards and Certificates.

All parents, caregivers, family and friends are encouraged to attend.

A reminder that all students should be wearing full school uniform, including senior students.

We would love to see you all there!

"An Enterprising Community"