

Allendale East Area School Newsletter

Courage Excellence Respect



To build strong, diverse futures for all of our young people by providing quality education driven by needs, skill and aspirations.

4/5 SOVEREIGN HILL CAMP

Term 2 Week 10

2025

In Week 9 the year 4/5 Class took a three day camp to Sovereign Hill, Ballarat. The camp offered an incredible experience for students, immersing them in the rich history of the Australian gold rush. During their stay, students engaged in a variety of exciting activities that brought history to life. They panned for gold in the creek, experiencing the thrill of finding gold just like the prospectors of the 1850s. They explored the meticulously recreated streets, interacting with costumed characters who share stories of life during the gold rush era. Students also participated in educational workshops, learning about the history of schooling in the 1850s, and the Eureka Stockade. The first evening was filled with captivating light and sound show, Aura, showcasing the dramatic events of the past. This camp not only provided a fun and interactive way to learn about history but also fostered independence and connection among students, making it an unforgettable adventure. - Mrs Leah Dowdell



IMPORTANT DATES

JULY

- 1 7-12 Kaboom
- 1 Year 6 She's Apples
- 2 Year 6 Flip Out
- 2 Tide Espresso Excursion
- Year 6 Cooking Group
- 4 NAIDOC Week Assembly 9am
- 4 **Last Day of Term 2 - 2:15pm dismissal**
- 11/12 Silent Disco

JULY

- 21 **Student Free Day - OSHC Available**
- 22 **First Day of Term 3 -Tuesday**

AUGUST

- 18-22 Book Week
- 27 Wonderverses - Sir Robert Helpmann

SEPTEMBER

- 1-26 PAT Testing
- 3 PPEP Talk

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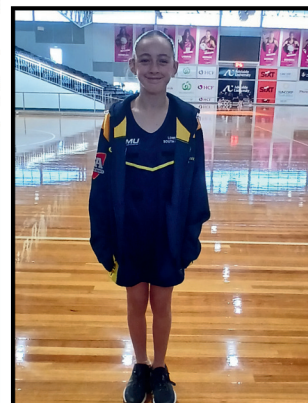
BOOKWEEK 2025

2025 is a milestone year as Australia will be celebrating 80 years of Children's Book Week! For eight decades, the Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA) has been dedicated to inspiring young minds to journey through the countless worlds that books offer. AEAS will be celebrating Children's Book Week once again during the week of 18-22 August 2025 with fun activities, reading and of course the much-loved Dress Up Parade! This year's theme is 'Book an Adventure'. Author/illustrator Jess McGeachin crafted a fantasy map of the Island of Biblio, full of adventure and book-loving creatures. Dragons with a penchant for poetry, biography-loving bears and kraken who read crime novels, all inhabit this rocky isle. We will keep you posted of date and time of the Parade next term. Time to start thinking about your costumes – there are so many possibilities!



SKYLA STATE NETBALL SAPSASA

Despite facing challenging competition and crazy weather conditions, the experience at the State SAPSASA Netball Carnival was truly invaluable. Winning one game, drawing another, and learning from the best, including the talented coach Melissa Russell, provided an incredible opportunity for growth. The skills and team strategies acquired will undoubtedly benefit her in future endeavours. This once-in-a-lifetime experience will be cherished, and she will always be grateful for the opportunity to participate in such a prestigious event.



BUILDING SKILLS - TOMAS DOWDY

Tomas Dowdy is actively participating in the second state-wide Rural Youth Ambassador Conference, which aims to enhance student regional voice in educational and political planning and decision-making processes. In addition to this, Tomas is completing various workplace certificates organised by the school to qualify for part-time work as a grounds assistant at Kirinari Kindergarten and to assist Greg Kain with school grounds maintenance. This term, Tomas has successfully registered for and completed several key trainings, including Chemcert training, the Department for Education Groundsman full-day training, the Working with Children check, Playground equipment training, and the online RRHAN compulsory training.



SILENT DISCO

Secure your early bird tickets by today Monday, 30 June! Don't miss out on our exciting disco sessions! \$5 Price increase after Monday, 30 June.

Kids Session:

Date: Friday, 11 July

Time: 1pm - 3pm

Price: \$10

Adult Sessions:

Dates: Friday, 11 July & Saturday, 12 July

Time: 8pm - till late

Price: \$30

Limited tickets available! Call the Front Office to secure your tickets now 8738 7218.

AFTER-SCHOOL SOCCER PROGRAM

This term our school was fortunate to host an exciting after-school soccer program for eight weeks, designed to give primary aged children a fantastic first experience to the game. Students have been developing basic soccer skills in a safe and positive environment, with a strong emphasis on fun and engaging soccer activities. The program kicked off in Week 3 of this term, with Jacob as the instructor and the students have been thoroughly enjoying their weekly 1-hour sessions every Monday.



AFL AUSKICK

On Sunday, 14 June, young footy enthusiasts Cade Sandercock, Banks Stanton and Nash Noble from the 1/2 Class had the opportunity to showcase their skills during the halftime break at the Port Adelaide vs Melbourne game on Sunday at the Adelaide Oval, with Nash skillfully kicking a goal. It was an unforgettable experience for these three students playing on the same field as their AFL heroes.



YEAR 6 ENGLISH ART



On Wednesday 25 June, our Year 6 class embraced their inner illustrators, creating vibrant images to accompany the chapters we've explored in the novel *Nevermoor: The Trials of Morrigan Crow*. It was a delightful blend of creativity and literature, bringing the story to life through their artistic expressions.

LIONS MAD MINUTE

On Tuesday 24 June, Ms Mitchell escorted 3 students - Levi Hulse, Joey Kemp and Evie Black- to Mount Gambier High School to support them in the annual Lion's Mad Minute Public Speaking regional finals. These three students were judged by Lions Club representatives, as the best from our school heats and had the challenge of competing against other students from schools in our region. AEAS competed in the Small schools category. Students are called up individually, chose a random topic, have a short time to think and then speak for a timed one minute. Judging is on content, gestures, movement, engagement with the audience, voice projection and clarity, and connection with the topic. Despite some initial nerves all three students spoke with confidence, presenting themselves positively, and Joey coped especially well with her trickier topic of "Maths is better than Literacy". What a great experience for all of them to listen to 50 plus other students talk and present themselves with courage. The winning small school team was Glencoe Primary School, and the large school winning team was Tension Woods College. Well done Team Allendale!



CANTEEN

Due to changes in our Canteen menu planned for next term, some current menu items may not be available towards the end of next week. The Canteen will endeavour to supply items as they are ordered however alternatives may need to be offered. Thank you for your understanding.

Kylie Lannigan - Canteen Manager

Slow Down for Our Children:

A Critical Reminder for Every Motorist



Every day across South Australia, hundreds of children step onto and off of school buses—trusting that the world around them will slow down long enough to keep them safe.

Despite clear laws stating that motorists must reduce their speed to 25 km/h when passing a stationary school bus with flashing lights, countless drivers continue to speed past, oblivious to the danger they pose to our most precious passengers.

What You Can Do:

- Slow down to 25 km/h when approaching a stationary school bus with flashing amber lights.
- Share this message with friends and family—especially new or young drivers.
- Be the reason a child makes it home safely.

Let's not wait for tragedy to spur action.
Because by then, it will already be too late.


One long-serving local school bus operator recently shared a chilling account:

"I vividly recall a moment when a child stood in the middle of the highway while cars sped past at full speed, showing no signs of slowing down. That image has never left me."

And nor should it leave any of us, **these buses carry our children, not cargo.**

The law exists to protect them.


And as parents, carers, educators, and community members, we must ensure this important message reaches every motorist.





Mental Health Services and Support



Beyond Blue 24/7 mental health support service 1300 22 4636 beyondblue.org.au	headspace Online support and counselling to young people aged 12 to 25 1800 650 890 (9am-1am daily) For webchat, visit: headspace.org.au/eheadspace	Kids Helpline 24/7 crisis support and suicide prevention services for children and young people aged 5 to 25 1800 55 1800 kidshelpline.com.au	1800RESPECT 24/7 support for people impacted by sexual assault, domestic violence and abuse 1800 737 732 1800respect.org.au
Lifeline 24/7 crisis support and suicide prevention services 13 11 14 lifeline.org.au	Suicide Call Back 24/7 crisis support and counselling service for people affected by suicide 1300 659 467 suicidecallbackservice.org.au	Mensline 24/7 counselling service for men 1300 78 99 78 mensline.org.au	QLife LGBTI peer support and referral 1800 184 527 (9pm-10pm daily) qlife.org.au (online chat 3pm-12am daily)

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