



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.

DISTRICT COUNCIL OF GRANT SCHOLARSHIP

Term 3 Week 2

2025

We are thrilled to announce that **Emily Bowman** from Allendale East Area School has been awarded the prestigious **Academic Scholarship for 2025, offered by the District Council of Grant**. This scholarship is a testament to Emily's hard work, dedication, and academic excellence.

The scholarship aims to support and encourage students to complete Year 12 and pursue further education, whether at university or through other study opportunities. It is a wonderful initiative that recognises the potential and achievements of students residing in the District Council of Grant area.

We are incredibly proud of Emily's accomplishment and the positive example she sets for her peers. Her commitment to her studies and her future is truly inspiring, and we are excited to see all the great things she will achieve.

Please join us in congratulating Emily on this well-deserved honour. Her success is a reflection of the supportive community at Allendale East Area School and the dedication of our educators and staff.

Let's celebrate this fantastic achievement and continue to encourage all our students to strive for excellence.



IMPORTANT DATES

AUGUST

- 7** Make a Side - Girls Football
- 11** Scott Rathman - Contemporary Aboriginal Artist Workshop - 9/10 Class
- 12/13** Painting of Artwork by Scott Rathman - Indigenous Garden
- 18-22** Book Week
- 27** Wonderverso - Sir Robert Helpmann

SEPTEMBER

- 1-26** PAT Testing
- 3** PPEP Talk
- 23** Tony Bones 'General Waste' Roadshow 2pm - Gym
- 24** Street Smart High Road Safety
- 24-27** Led Steer Melbourne Show
- 26** Last Day of Term 3 - Early Dismissal 2:15pm

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SECONDARY NEWS

Brock Bowman has successfully completed a semester at **TAFE in his Certificate II in Automotive Servicing course**. He aims to finish Year 12 and pursue trade or work pathways. This highlights the commitment of AEAS staff to tailor educational programs to meet the diverse needs and aspirations of students. For more information about educational pathways, please contact Assistant Principal Suzie Mitchell.



Joshua Virgo has had a successful semester at **TAFE in his Certificate II in Engineering Pathways course**. He plans to complete Year 12, leaving his options open for either university or trade pathways. This reflects the dedication of AEAS staff in customising student programs to align with their educational goals and future aspirations. For more information about educational pathways, please contact Assistant Principal Suzie Mitchell.



CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Join us in congratulating **Tanielle Brooksby on her incredible 20-year journey as an educator at Allendale East Area School!** As a Foundation/Year 1 Teacher and Autism Inclusion Teacher, Tanielle has also recently achieved her Lead Teacher Certification. Her dedication and positivity have been a guiding light in our community, influencing countless young lives over the years. We are grateful for her commitment and passion for education. Thank you, Tanielle, for choosing this career pathway and making a difference every day!



We are thrilled to celebrate **Emma Reppin, our dedicated Year 6 teacher, who has spent 10 remarkable years in education**, enriching the lives of students both here in the South East and overseas. Her diverse teaching experience and unwavering commitment have made a significant positive impact at Allendale East Area School. We deeply appreciate her efforts and commend her for her dedication to nurturing and inspiring our students. Thank you, Emma, for your passion and hard work!



FAREWELL AND THANK YOU, RACHEL!

It is with heartfelt gratitude that we say farewell to Rachel McGregor. Our dedicated Support Services Officer at Allendale East Area School. Rachel has been an invaluable part of our community, making a profound impact on young lives through her classroom support, early intervention sessions, and coordination of essential programs like foodbank, lunch club, and breakfast club. Her role as the driver of the community bus has further connected and supported our students and families. Rachel's commitment and compassion have enriched our school environment, and her contributions will be dearly missed. We wish her all the best in her future endeavours and thank her for everything she has done for our school and community.



LED STEER JUMPER SPONSORS

We are thrilled to announce the arrival of the Led Steer Team Jumpers, and they look absolutely fantastic! A thank you to our generous sponsors: Edan Engineering, Australian Waste Engineering, and The Bellum Hotel.



SECONDARY WELLBEING EXCURSION

The Secondary team of staff wanted to acknowledge the improved personal behaviour, and the academic growth that the secondary students had demonstrated over Term 2. A fully subsidised Wellbeing excursion was organised for Week 10 - Ten pin Bowling at Kaboom was great fun - a highlight was seeing students being very inclusive and good-humoured about their bowling prowess or gutter balls!!! A choice of Pizza or pasta at Fasta Pasta was on offer for lunch, and then a quick stop at the Valley Lake Playground saw all students just being kids and having fun. When asked what they valued about the day - typical responses were: "being with friends", "spending time with just as this group", "having fun", "getting to know people better", "being off-site", "doing something different". Staff and students alike really enjoyed the day, and it was rewarding to get feedback from Darren, the Manager of Fasta Pasta, that our students "were a great group". We look forward to more enjoyable times together next term.



1/2 PUPPET SHOW

The Year 1/2s have been busy in Drama and Design & Technology, creating their own puppet shows. The students explored how puppet shows are made and then created their own dramatic short stories. Following on from this, they designed and created their own shadow puppets and performed for the class at the end of term.



VISIT TO TIDE ESPRESSO

On Wednesday 2 July, our Year 6 cooking electives group had the wonderful opportunity to visit Tide Café, hosted by the amazing Ashlee, the business owner. This visit was the culmination of our term's hard work, where students learned about diverse foods and ingredient variations to support dietary intolerances, all under the guidance of Kylie Lannigan our canteen manager. Ashlee graciously showed us around her beautiful café and shared invaluable industry knowledge. Our students were thrilled to explore a variety of food and beverages that were new to their diets. A huge thank you to Tide Café for their willingness to host us and for their generosity in sharing their expertise. We are so grateful for the support of our local businesses!



YEAR 6 FOOD AND FIBRE

Over the last 6 weeks of Term 2 the Year 6 Food and Fibre Class have been learning about orchard crops with Mrs Tulak. This unit of work included learning about common fruits such as apples, pears, citrus plus cherries and almonds. To consolidate their learning the class visited She's Apples for a tour to explore more about season produce and how it is prepared for sale.



LAN ZHANG CHINESE TEACHER VISIT

JP students explored the art of Chinese calligraphy using special "magic cloths." They learned to handle the brush correctly and practiced writing numbers and characters they've been learning in class. Year 1/2 students also enjoyed writing Chinese characters on red paper and admired the colourful dragon toys as part of their celebration of the Dragon Boat Festival. Year 3/4 and Year 7/8 students had the opportunity to experience one of China's intangible cultural heritage arts—lacquer painting. Using traditional Chinese fans, they used calligraphy brush pan to write their favourite characters and created vibrant designs by dipping their fans into water infused with coloured ink. They were fascinated by the beautiful results and thoroughly enjoyed the activity. Middle primary students celebrated the Dragon Boat Festival by waving dragon boats and crafting paper rice dumplings. They wrapped up the session with a lively and competitive tabletop boat race. The excitement and creativity made it a memorable experience for everyone involved.



SILENT DISCO

The first 'silent' disco in the performing arts room was a success! It's great to hear that everyone enjoyed themselves and had a fantastic time dancing to their own music with headphones. It was great to see good community support along with some 'out of towners' coming along, giving us a chance to showcase the exciting events we have at the school. Silent discos are a unique and fun experience, allowing participants to enjoy music in a shared space without the noise typically associated with traditional events.



FLINDERS UNIVERSITY ROADSHOW

On Monday 30 June 2025, five of our Secondary students from Year 9-12 - put their hand up to be involved in this event. Students from around the region - about 150 - travelled to the host school (Grant High School) for a day of fun, practical and informative workshops across a range of disciplines offered at Flinders University. Each session was run by FU lecture's who are also researchers - either from our local campus or from ones based in Adelaide. It was a great chance to engage with academics, explore some of the exciting study areas and possibly broaden post-school opportunities. Disciplines included: Urban and Regional Planning, Medical Professions, Criminology, Nursing and Midwifery, Sport and Recreation, Agricultural Technology, Allied Health, Environmental Science, GIS and Surveying, Early Childhood Education. During the breaks, students could look at, sit in, learn about the Solar Car Investigator IV - built by the Flinders Automotive Solar Team and driven in the 2023 Bridgestone World Solar Challenge from Darwin to Adelaide. All students had nominated their preferred Disciplines, were put into groups 8 groups of about 20 students and rotated through 4 Workshops during the day. It was a huge undertaking to plan and organise the event - but highly valuable for students, and we thank Flinders University and Grant High School for the opportunity.

