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KEY DATES

WEEK SEVEN

Wednesday 15th March NAPLAN Testing Year 3 & 5 writing Year 3 reading

Thursday 16th March NAPLAN Testing Year 5 reading

Friday 17th March NAPLAN Testing Year 3 & 5 Spelling

WEEK EIGHT

Monday 20th March Year 3 & 5 numeracy

Tuesday 21st March

*School Photographs

*School Council – AGM @ 7.30

*School Council – Meeting @ 8.00

WEEK NINE

Monday 27th March
District Athletic Sports
Lion's Club Eye Screening

Wednesday 29th March ADPS Athletic Sport's Day

WEEK TEN

Thursday 6th April
Last day of term 2:30pm finish

ALLANSFORD ALIVE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

NAPLAN

Students in Year 3 & 5 participated in NAPLAN assessments this week. NAPLAN assesses the literacy and numeracy skills that students are learning through the school curriculum. NAPLAN is just one aspect of a school's assessment and reporting process. It doesn't replace ongoing assessments made by teachers about student performance, but it can provide teachers with additional information about students' educational progress. NAPLAN also provides schools, education authorities and governments with information about how education programs are working and whether young Australians are achieving important educational outcomes in literacy and numeracy. Remember, these assessments provide a point in time snapshot of student achievement.



EASTER RAFFLE

Can you believe it that it is again time for our Parent's Club annual Easter Raffle. We are seeking Easter Egg donations from families for the Easter Raffle. Donations can be handed into the office. All families will receive a raffle book next week. Tickets can be sold for \$3 per ticket or two for \$5. Parent's Club will package all donations into a series of prizes, with the raffle to be drawn on the final day of the term, Thursday 6th April.



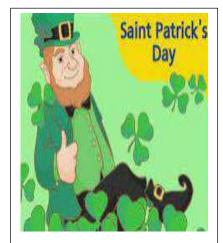
STUDENT LEADERS

Congratulations to Timmy (Year 6) for facilitating last week's assembly. Timmy did an outstanding job in organizing showcases and presenting to the whole school. Well done!



CULTURE SALT

Our Year Six 'Culture SALT' (Student Action Learning Team) are celebrating St Patrick's Day on Friday 17th March by inviting students to wear a touch of green. They are requesting a gold coin donation, with all funds going to the 'Gillin Boys Foundation.' There will be a disco with an Irish flavour and some prizes throughout the day.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



THE MELO AWARD

The "Melo Award' is presented to a child or group who models our school values, and as result, often helps those around them. Last week's "Melo Award' was presented to Harley (Year 5). He noticed another student was frustrated not being able to master a skill. He took the time to give this student some advice. He also notified the teacher to alert her of this child's persistence. Well done, Harley!



SCHOOL COUNCIL

Next Tuesday 21st March is our School Council AGM followed by School Council meeting 2. It will commence at 7.30 pm in the staffroom.



A.D.P.S. ATHLETIC SPORT'S DAY

Wednesday March 29th

THE VALUES AWARD

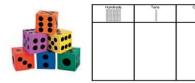
The "Values Award' is selected by our student leaders and presented to a child who has demonstrated the behaviours that model our school values. Last week's 'Values Award' was presented to Hunta (Foundation). He was recognised for his persistence in having ago at something that initially he could not master. He was finding hitting a tennis ball very tricky but kept on trying. Another student noticed his frustration and went to help and gave him some advice. He was then able to hit the next 10 tennis balls.



SHOWCASE – MATH'S TASK

Congratulations to our Year 1-2 students (Lottie – Ajay – Tyler – Kade – Jae) for showcasing their mathematical game task to practice place value. Lottie rolled the digit dice and the students had to place the digit in the hundreds, tens or one's column and identify the value.





SHOWCASE – MAPPING

Congratulations to year 5/6B students (Harley & Billy) who shared facts about their map of Australia. The compared distances between the capital cities of Australia. Well done boys!



SHOWCASE - ACROSTIC

Congratulations to Year 5/6A students (Archie & Layken) for sharing their Resilience Inquiry Acrostic Poems. Both boys did an outstanding job in explaining their interpretation of resilience.



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Next Tuesday 21st March is our school photographs. Please ensure you have completed the necessary forms and payments if you wish to receive your photographs.



BULB DRIVE

Parent's Club have A "Bulb Fundraiser' running at the moment for interested parents. If you access the below site and place an order, 40% of the proceeds will go to the school. A win – win for our avid gardeners. There are some wonderful variety packs available. www.bulbfundraiser.com.au/ALLANSFORDPS



HOUSE CAPTAINS

Congratulations to the students selected to be House Captains in 2023. The below students were presented with their badges at assembly:

Allandale

Captain (Ewan Dinwoodie) Vice-Captain (Acacia Garner)

Sherwood

Captain (Amber Enonaria) Vice-Captain (Jayda Scouller)

Shipley

Captain (Cameron Bell) Vice-Captain (Taylor Membrey)

Tooram

Captain (Tully Beckwith) Vice Captain (Kayden Brown)



SCHOOL CAMPS

We have been working extremely hard behind the scenes to make a camping experience happen for students in 2023. What is the major difference between this year and last year?

Staff now operate under a new working agreement that includes a "time in lieu' clause for all staff who attend an excursion, event or camp outside their scheduled working hours.

This means the cost to run a school camp has increased significantly. Camps have to meet a need and be financially

We have had discussions at our "Think Tank' workshops, Parents' Club and School Council. We have consulted students and gained their feedback. As a school community, we are getting closer to a proposal to put to parents.

viable for the majority.



PARENTS' CLUB

Parents' Club had their AGM this week and it was tremendous to see some new faces attend the meeting and offer their support for school-based activities and fundraising events this year.

Kate thanked all the members of the 2022 Parents' Club for their support and highlighted the wonderful contributions made to ADPS throughout 2022. From providing additional fruit and sandwiches for students in need, to supporting walk to school days and a healthy breakfast, to providing additional library books, to supporting staff with classroom requisites, to organizing Book Club, to helping with raffles, graduations, Mother's and Father's Day stalls and concerts. The highlight was the purchase and installation of the new playground.

The principal thanked the efforts of Parents' Club for building a sense of community and for the role they play in developing school connectedness.

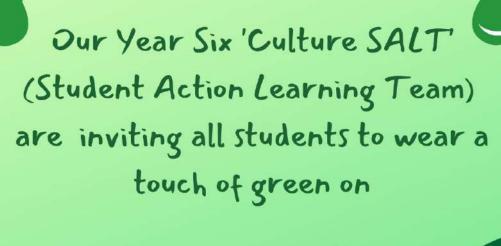
Office bearers were elected for the 2023 school year:

President – Kate Membrey Vice – President – Karen Anderson Treasurer – Tanya Nevill Secretary – Suzanne Seniore

PARENTS' CLUB MEETING NUMBER 2

Parents' Club discussed the organization for the NAPLAN morning tea for Year 3 & 5 students, support for the Athletic Sports, the Bulb Drive, the Easter Raffle, Mother's Day stall, fresh fruit supplies, additional sandwiches, Book Week and Term 2 Toasties. Parents' Club also discussed support of the 2023 Camping Program.





FRIDAY 17TH MARCH

to celebrate

ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Gold coin donation, with all funds going to the 'Gillin Boys Foundation.'

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