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KEY DATES

ALLANSFORD ALIVE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

We wish to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land and pay respect to the elders, past, present, and emerging.



WEEK TEN

Thursday 12th December
Christmas Choir Road Trip
School Council Break-Up
Recreation Reserve Christmas Party

Friday 13th December
Year 5-6 Picnic Day

WEEK ELEVEN

Tuesday 17th December
Year Six Graduation

Wednesday 18th December
Final Assembly @ 2.30 - 3.30 p.m.



Thursday 19th December
Staff First - Aid

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Wednesday 29th January
Student Assessments

Thursday 30th January
Student Assessments

Friday 31st January
First day of school for all students



2025 Student Assessments

Student assessments will take place on Wednesday 29th January and Thursday 30th January.

You will be able to book an assessment using the school interviews online platform.


Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow the instructions.

Use the code: **dysd8**

- 1 - Enter your details
- 2 - Select your child's teacher
- 3 - Select the time slot

When you click FINISH, your time slot will be emailed to you.

Bookings close Tuesday 28th January at 11.00 a.m. Assessment times will be 20 minutes in duration and there will be 37 assessment slots available. The booking codes will be sent out via Dojo.



Final Day of 2024

Please note that the final day for all students in 2024 is **Wednesday 18th December**. School will finish at the normal time of 3.30 p.m.

We will have our final assembly between 2.30 -3.30 p.m.

At this assembly our Christmas Choir will sing some carols, we will present some student awards and will draw both our School Community Christmas Raffle, and our student Christmas Raffle.

All students will automatically have one ticket in the draw.

Student Leaders

Congratulations to Tanner and Jet for organizing and presenting last week's assembly. They worked well together, with both boys having their own unique delivery styles. Well, done!

2025 School Profile


In 2025, we will operate 7 classes:

- *Foundation - Mrs. Kerry Arnott
- *Year 1/2A - Mrs. Narelle McLaren
- *Year 1/2B - Miss Kate Marquand
- *Year 3/4A - Mrs. Claudia Campbell
- *Year 3/4B - Miss Rose White
- *Year 5/6A - Mr. Niah Dwyer
- *Year 5/6B - Mrs. Amanda McMahon

In 2025, we will operate 4 specialist classes:

- *Art - Mrs. Jane Dowie
- *PE - Mr. Billy Rock
- *STEAM - Mrs. Carolynne Sheppard
- *Japanese - Mrs. Gemma Sheldon

In 2025, Mrs. Hill will be in the newly established role of Disability Inclusion Co-Ordinator (non-teaching) and Mrs. Fiona Isles will be in the newly established Mental Health and Well-being Leader.



Values Award

Congratulations to Paddy for being awarded the Values Award. Paddy was nominated for his cheery morning greetings, his manners and for his compliments to other students - Well, done!



Melo Award

Congratulations to Cooper for being awarded for the Melo Award. Cooper has shown tremendous enthusiasm towards his learning, has been complimenting his peers on their achievements and has generally made the class a happier environment. Well, done Cooper!



Orientation Day

Congratulations to all students and families for making Orientation Day a success for all. It is always a time for additional nerves as students often move classes, have a change of teacher and classmates.

But remember, this is very natural and over the course of the primary schooling students will experience a variety of teachers and have a range of different classmates. Thanks to our Big Buddies for making our new Foundation students so very welcome!



Student of the Week

Congratulations on the fantastic efforts you have all shown for a huge range of skills and achievements. You should be proud of your achievements - WE ARE!



Graduation

On Tuesday 17th December, we have our Year 6 Graduation.

It will start with pizzas and drinks at 5.30 p.m. in the Multi before moving to the Allansford Hall at 6.00 p.m.

We will have students' speeches, addresses from the Principal, School Council President and Parents' Club President, scholarship presentations and a reflection movie.

Students will then travel to play bowls in Warrnambool at approximately 8.00 p.m.

An addition to the Graduation Ceremony this year, is our Foundation students opening the Graduation by singing two Christmas Carols. This will be a great way for our Foundation students to say good-bye to their big buddies.



Year 5-6 Picnic Day

Students in Year 5-6 will participate in Surfing School as part of their end of year activities.



K-Mart Wishing Tree

Some of proceeds from our Zooper Dooper sales for 2024, were allocated to the purchase of \$280 worth of gifts for The Kmart Wishing Tree Appeal.

Together with The Salvation Army, Kmart have helped support families in need for 37 years, with over 14 million gifts donated.

Well, done to the generous students at ADPS!



Kindness

Congratulations Harley and Billy (Year 6) for receiving the Kindness Award. It was interesting to note that these boys were nominated for their kind acts in going above and beyond.



Year F-2 Movie

Students in Year F-2 went to the movies on Wednesday to watch Paddington.





Orientation Day





ZOOOPER DOOPERS

For those of you who are unaware, the proceeds from our Zooper Dooper sales support a charity called The Bandari Project in Mto wa Mbu, Tanzania.

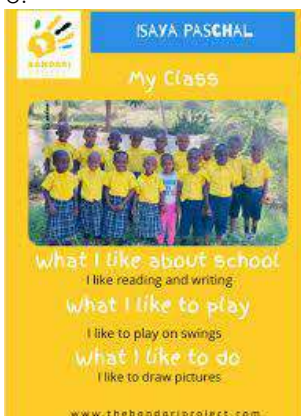
In the past, we have purchased dairy cows so that the community can work toward becoming self-sufficient. At the beginning of 2023, we decided to make a commitment to sponsor a student and a teacher.

We support 6-year-old Isaya. Isaya has 3 siblings, and they live with their mother in a house that was 'gifted' to them as they were homeless. The house does not have very much inside other than 1 mattress. His mother works as a 'kitchen helper' for (\$1.26 Aus.) per day. Isaya attends the Bandari School, where he also receives a midday meal. Isaya had an operation on his foot at the beginning of 2023 so the first of our money went towards buying him crutches.

Zuhara Hassan Mushi is the young graduate teacher who we support. She completed her diploma in Arusha and is very excited by the opportunity to teach at Bandari.

In addition, we also support the Royal Children's Hospital's Good Friday Appeal, SWHC and we make a Christmas donation to a local charity of the children's choosing, such as The K Mart Wishing Tree and The Salvation Army.

Donations of Zooper Doopers are always gratefully accepted and can be dropped in to Andrea at the office or to Narelle and the 2/3A students in Room 8.



Parents Club Raffle 2024

Tickets \$3 or 2 for \$5

Raising funds for the purchase of a Gaga Pit

1st Prize: 2 Nights Accommodation 'Cottage Stay in Port Fairy'

Donated by Ambleside Wealth Advisers

2nd Prize: Pet Portrait 1 x A4 size (valued at \$400)

Donated by Karen Malseed Art

3rd Prize: Toy and Gift Hamper (valued at \$400)

Donated by Marsha Smith

4th Prize: Miss Kit Hamper (Valued at \$200)

Donated by Miss Kit

5th Prize: : SportsPower Voucher (Valued at \$100)

From Health Moves Warrnambool City Council

6th Prize: Bunnings Voucher (Valued at \$100)

Donated by Hall family

7th Prize: Cheese Hamper (Valued at \$80)

Donated by Saputo

Tickets will be sent home on Friday

Please return by **FRIDAY 13th DECEMBER**

DRAWN: At final Assembly 18th December

Boogie Bounce - Year 3/4



School Saving Bonus

Every student enrolled in a Victorian government school for the 2025 school year will receive a one-off \$400 School Saving Bonus.

Parents and carers will receive **one email** and **code** for each eligible student in their family.

It will help cover the cost of school uniforms, textbooks, and school activities like camps, excursions and sports.

You don't need to apply.

1. Access the Schools Saving Bonus on-line system
[School Saving Bonus parent and carer online system](#)
2. Read summary page
3. Access purchases using School Saving Bonus and allocate funds to school activities



Parents and carers of Victorian school-aged children will receive the one-off School Saving Bonus

Find out more



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Calves Wanted for 2024

Calves purchased by the Community farm through the Allansford and District Primary school calf drive in 2023 totalled.

\$1,800

The more calves donated to the school calf drive, the more the school earns!
Since the beginning of the relationship between the school and community farm 9 years ago, more than \$35k has been contributed to Allansford and district Primary school.

Weaned steer Friesian calves (110kg+) and Jersey bulls(80kg+), dehorned with an NLIS button and NVD documentation.

Purchase price 2024: \$300

To register your support, please speak to one of the farm committee today to discuss any details.
Kind regards
Jon Kelly : 0439 657 278
Chairman Farm committee

Farm Committee
Peter Logan : 0448 651 331
Ray Chislett : 0428 368 532
Mick White : 5565 1574
Doug Stewart : 0421 227 702

What is the Saputo-Allansford Recreation Reserve community farm?
The Saputo-Allansford Recreation Reserve Community farm is a voluntary group that grow out and sell Friesian steers, with all profits used for infrastructure upgrades at the Allansford Recreation Reserve.
The Allansford Recreation Reserve Committee of management is the only fully voluntary run group in Warrnambool shire who do all the upkeep and infrastructure upgrades on the recreation reserve. Our most recent example is the toilet upgrade in the social club rooms.
Funds generated by the community farm are not used by either the cricket or football/netball club, but strictly by recreation reserve committee of management for **infrastructure improvements.**
As you can see, the Allansford community benefit's twice from your generous donation!



2025 ENROLMENTS NOW DUE



Enrolment Requirements:

- ✓ Enrolment Form
- ✓ Birth Certificate
- ✓ Immunisation Certificate
- ✓ Permission Forms

Pick up an enrolment form from our school office or download from our website

Phone our office staff
55651 385

Download from our website
www.allansford.ps.vic.edu.au

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