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## KEY DATES

## TERM TWO

## ALLANSFORD ALIVE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

### TERM 3 - Week 1

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July

Year 5-6 Hockey

### Term 3 - Week 2

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July

School Council Meeting

### Term 3 - Week 3

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July

National Tree Day

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July

Edward the Emu – F-2

### Term 3 - Week 4

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August

Vision Screening

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August

Vision Screening

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August

Royal Flying Doctor Service

### TERM THREE WELCOME

Greetings to all families and welcome to the start of term three. All students have got off to a seamless start to the term. Many thanks to the parents in preparing their children to return to school and the teachers for their planning and organisation.



### BIOLAB EXCURSION

Our Year 5-6 students have already participated in a wonderful extracurricular learning experience this week. Our leaders visited the BioLAB centre in Geelong and got to use many of the state-of-the-art facilities that help in maximising performance and help with developing a healthy mind and body. I want to commend the outstanding behaviour of all our students. This is common feedback from the places we visit and never taken for granted.



### YEAR TWO INTERVIEWS

Many thanks to the parents for their attendance at this week's Year Two interviews. We have a high percentage of bookings which is very pleasing to see.



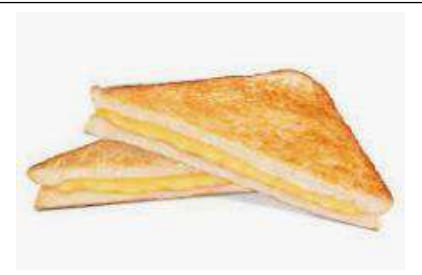
### SOMERS CAMP

We had seven fortunate Year 5-6 students depart this week for the wonderful Somers Camp. Students will experience a range of adventure activities and mix with students from throughout the district over a nine-day period. Somers Camp only comes around every second year.



### TOASTIE TUESDAY

We had a fantastic uptake from students who brought along their sandwich to get toasted. Many thanks to Parents' Club members, Karen and Jessica, for helping with the toasties. Thanks to Ryder for organising all the lunch orders from the rooms.



### PARENTS' CLUB

Parents' Club met this week to organise term 3 events and activities. Playground talks are progressing well, and we are all excited about the next steps. Parents' Club have donated \$500 towards some award-winning books that will be featured in Book Week activities later this term. Parents' Club will also be conducting a pie drive this term to raise additional funds. Many thanks to the small but passionate group of parents.

### LIONS CLUB EYE HEALTH

The Lions Eye Health Program is offering Free Vision Screening for students in Foundation, Year Three and Year Six. Over 80% of what children learn is processed through their eyes. Untreated eye conditions can affect a child's development. It is estimated 1 in 5 children in Australia have undetected vision problems. Screenings can help identify children who may require further eye review/testing. Members of the Lions Club have been specifically trained to perform four vision screening assessments including:

1. Visual Acuity - using a Lea 3m - 15 Line Symbol Chart
2. Colour Vision - using a quick 6 - Basic Colour Screening Book
3. Depth Perception - using a Stereo Fly Screening Tool
4. Spot Vision Screener - State of the art portable machine designed to screen for Myopia (near sightedness), Hyperopia (far sightedness), Astigmatism (blurred vision), Anisometropia (unequal refractive power), Strabismus (eye misalignment) and Anisocoria (unequal pupil size).

The individual screening takes just a few minutes to perform. There is no physical contact made with the child and no eye drops are administered. Individual reports will be distributed. If a vision problem is detected, this will be written on the child's result sheet, and you will be encouraged to seek a further eye assessment with an eye health professional.

If you would like your child to participate in this vision screening program, please complete the permission slip and return to the office.

Please note; if your child is already under the care of an optometrist, it is recommended they do not participate.



### SCHOOL COUNCIL

Next Tuesday 19th July we have School Council Meeting number five for the 2022 school year. School Council will discuss new Child safe Policies and reflect on the draft report for our recent



### PRIMARY PERFORMERS

Ella participated in the Primary Performers production of 'Annie Junior' during the holidays. Ella performed in four shows. She had a great time, and we are very proud of her efforts.



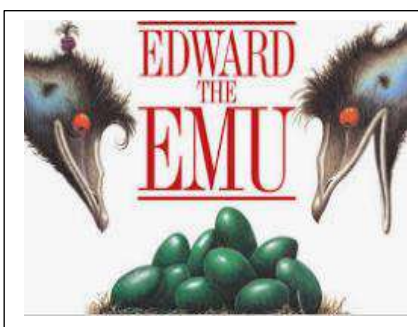
### TEN -PIN BOWLING SUCCESS

Talia is a keen Ten – Pin bowler and has achieved some great success in her first year participating in the Advanced League. She was awarded the Best & Fairest Trophy for this season. Congratulations Talia!



### EDWARD THE EMU

Students from Foundation – Year Two will participate in an excursion to the Lighthouse Theatre to see a performance titled 'Edward the Emu' on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July.



### COVID UP-DATE

Covid is still very prevalent within our school community, and we need to be vigilant and maintain Covid safe practices. The following are some key recommendations:

#### VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS

There are no longer any mandatory vaccination requirements for staff or visitors working or attending mainstream schools.

#### RAPID ANTIGEN TESTS

The Victorian Government is providing up to three further deliveries of Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) in Term 3 and again in Term 4 to schools. These will be distributed for use by staff and students who are symptomatic or who are household contacts. Schools will receive the first delivery of Term 3 RATs by the end of week 3.

Household contacts are required to test negative using a rapid antigen test on at least 5 out of 7 if they are attending or working at a school onsite.

Parents must report a positive result to their school, either through the COVID Test [portal](#) or by phone or written notification; this is so the school can record that they will be absent while in 7-day isolation, provide support and learning materials as needed, and let the rest of the school community know there has been a positive case onsite and that they should monitor for symptoms

#### FACE MASKS

The [current advice](#) from the Victorian government is that it is recommended face masks are worn in indoor settings unless an exception applies.

#### WORKFORCE SUPPORTS

Schools will continue to experience workforce pressures through Term 3.



### Toastie Tuesday!

Our first Toastie Tuesday was a big hit! Thanks to Karen and Jess for getting all these yummy sandwiches toasted for the students to enjoy!





# 2023 Enrolments DUE NOW



Individual school tours are warmly welcomed. Contact our office to make an appointment!

Enrolment Forms can be collected from the School Office or downloaded from our Website.

We look forward to meeting you!

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