



# ALLENTON SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

**Term 1 Week 3 - 20 February 2026**

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***Together We Learn and Grow***

***Me akotahi hei oranga mō te katoa***

## **Principal's Comment Nga Korero o te Tumuaki**



*Ka nui te mihi ki a koutou - greetings to you all*

It has been pleasing to note the smooth start to the year that we have experienced over the past three weeks. The children have been settled and focused on developing and reestablishing classroom routines and friendships, which is great. If parents and caregivers have any concerns throughout the term, often a discussion with your child's teacher can ensure that these concerns are worked through. Please contact them in the first instance. Beyond this, there is support available from area leaders and then myself.

I am also pleased to see that nearly all children have been supported at the start of the year to wear the correct school uniform, which includes plain black shoes, or sandals in terms 1 and 4. Many thanks for your support with this.

Next Wednesday we will be having our termly Mihi Whakatau at 2:15pm, where we will formally welcome new families and staff. This will take place in the school hall. New families have recently received notifications through Hero about this on Tuesday, with an RSVP response survey. If you have any queries, please get in touch with your child's teacher or the school office.

This past week has been a busy one for the Middle Area with their Challenge Week. This has seen them putting up tents (indoors due to the rain!), the famous pyjama day and yesterday they spent time visiting the library, museum and art gallery.

We've also had our school swimming sports this week. This year we have extended the programme to include a wider range of events for all children in Years 5 and 6, as well as the more confident Year 4 - 6 swimmers.

It was great to see more children involved in this year's swimming sports. Many thanks to the staff who have organised both of these events, and to our parents and whānau who were able to attend as well.



On Friday 6 March the PTA will be hosting a Family Fun Night for school families. Bring along a picnic dinner from 5:30pm and enjoy each other's company. We look forward to seeing you there!

*Mā te kimi ka kite, Mā te kite ka mōhio, Mā te mōhio ka mārama.  
Seek and discover. Discover and know. Know and become enlightened*

Until next time,

Andrew Leverton  
Principal | Tumuaki

## **New students**

In addition to those named below, we also have a number of children who are transitioning to school and are doing visits in Rooms 14 and 15 at the moment. We will note their names in the next newsletter.

<b>Room 3</b>	<b>Ratu</b>
<b>Room 7</b>	<b>Abhay</b>
<b>Room 14</b>	<b>Edward, Georgie, Ivah, Madden, Maggie, Ollie, Rowan, Te Awarua, Thea</b>
<b>Room 15</b>	<b>Joseph, Liam, Edward, Eddie, Archie, Fox, Oliver, KitKit, Laiken, Amelia, Emily</b>
<b>Room 20</b>	<b>Apolosi</b>

## **Term 1 policy review**

Parents and caregivers are able to be involved in the review of various school policies throughout the year. This term's policies for review are:

- *Alcohol, Drugs, and Other Harmful Substances Policy*
- *Sun Protection*
- *Digital Technology and Online Safety*
- *Cellphones and Other Personal Digital Devices*

Our School Docs policy portal can be accessed through our school website <https://www.allenton.school.nz/information/procedures/> then by clicking the Current Review tab.

## School Lunches

These will be Subway on Tuesdays and Allenton Dairy on Fridays. Please see below for the updated lists now available:

### SUBWAY (TUESDAYS ONLY)

To order please visit the website [www.subwaylunches.co.nz](http://www.subwaylunches.co.nz)

This is an online order website, NOT an app. The school lunches CANNOT be ordered through the Subway App, please use Safari(for iPhone) or Google (for Android).

Log in or register online to start.

Choose the school that you would like to order from the list.

Follow Step 1 : Choose your sub

Step 2 : Select all options required

Step 3 : Add cookie or Fruit Squirtz (1 of each)

Step 4 : Confirm your order(check name & class number)

Step 5 : Payment details (you can save them for next time )

All orders must be in before 9am on a TUESDAY, but may be ordered anytime before this.

### ALLENTON DAIRY (FRIDAYS ONLY)

Sim's Mince/Mince & Cheese Pie	\$4.80	Sandwiches - single filling	\$4.50
Sim's Steak/Steak & Cheese Pie	\$4.80	Bread rolls (variety of meats)	\$6.50
Sim's Pastie	\$4.80	Snack pack	\$4.50
Sim's Sausage Roll	\$4.20	Sandwich, small cookie & juice	\$7.50
Sim's Mince/Mince & Cheese Savoury	\$1.80	Cookie Time Brownie	\$3.20
Hot Dog	\$4.00	Large Cookie/Bumper Bar	\$3.20
1 Hot Dog & Chips	\$6.50	Fresh fruit (banana)	\$1.50
Scoop of chips	\$3.00	Calci Yum - variety of flavours	\$2.00
Small tomato sauce	\$0.50	Juice Tetra pack - medium	\$2.50
1 Chicken drum & fries	\$7.00	Juice Tetra pack - small	\$1.50
1 Chicken thigh & fries	\$8.20		

Order for the Allenton Dairy: Write your Child's name and room number on the outside of an envelope, (one envelope per child) along with the items required and the exact total. Please use the **correct money** as the school does not handle any monies and no change will be given. Orders should be placed in the appropriate box in the office foyer before 9am on the appropriate day. Please do not place orders directly with the Dairy.

## Calendar of school events - Term 1, 2026

**\*\* Please recheck these events each newsletter for any additions or changes \*\***

Monday 23 February	School Board meeting, 7pm
Friday 27 February	Whole School Assembly, 10:50am
Monday 2 March	Mid Canterbury Swimming Sports Physical Activity Leaders workshop
Tuesday 3 March	PTA meeting, 7:30pm
Friday 6 March	Middle School Assembly, 10:50am Junior School Assembly, 2:00pm PTA Family Fun Night, 5:30pm
Monday 9 March	School Closed - Staff Development
Tuesday 10 March	Swimming lessons commence Rm 12, 13, 20, 21
Friday 20 March	Middle School Assembly, 10:50am
Friday 27 March	Whole School Assembly, 10:50am

## 2026 Term Dates

***Prior to the start of the school year:***

<b>Term</b>	<b>School closed</b>
<b>1</b> Mon 2 Feb to Thurs 2 April	Fri 6 Feb (Waitangi Day) Mon 9 March (staff development)
<b>2</b> Mon 20 April to Fri 3 July	Mon 27 April (Anzac Day observed) Fri 22 May ((staff development) Mon 1 June (King's Birthday)
<b>3</b> Mon 20 July to Fri 25 Sep	Fri 7 Aug (staff development)
<b>4</b> Mon 12 Oct to Thurs 17 Dec	Mon 26 Oct (Labour Day) Thurs 12 November (staff development) Fri 13 Nov (Canterbury Anniversary Day)



Allenton School PTA

# FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Friday 6th March 2026

**5:30–7:00pm**

Allenton School Field

Come and join us for an evening of games and fun. Lemonade ice-blocks for children.

**Bring your own picnic dinner.**

–alcohol-free event

[pta@allenton.school.nz](mailto:pta@allenton.school.nz)



# READY, SET, SIGN IN!

Stay in the loop by following these steps

## 1 DOWNLOAD THE HERO APP

Once downloaded, click 'Sign In'

## 2 ADD YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS

Select "Next"

## 3 SELECT "NEW USER"

Your account will be set up by your school using the email address that you provided when you enrolled your children, use this address to request a password.

## 4 SELECT "SUBMIT"

Hero will send you an email with a link to follow.

## 5 CHECK YOUR EMAIL

You should receive an email within five minutes.

## 6 FOLLOW THE LINK

This will take you to a secure page to enter your chosen password.

If you encounter problems logging in, please check with your school to make sure they have the correct details for you.



# Mid Canterbury Children's Day

Come and join us for a **free** day of fun and entertainment.

Bring along a picnic and water bottle.



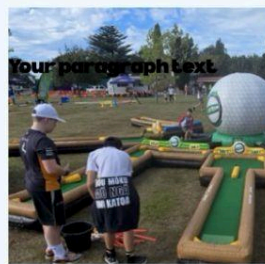
**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2026**



**10.30am - 2.30pm**



**The Plains Heritage Park and Tinwald Domain**



Some activities are weather dependent.

No postponement date.



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# Allenton Netball Club

## Year 3-6

All players will be placed into teams

Please register online at Allenton Netball Club website by Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2026

If you have any questions please contact either

Ashleigh Robertson - 0276593485 - Year 3/4  
or

Viana Fallaver - 0273583016 - Year 5/6



## Year 0-2 Miniball

### Back for the second time!

Due to popular demand, we're excited to be running this programme again!

45-minute sessions designed especially for our youngest players. With a focus on enjoyment, movement, and simple basketball skills, it's the perfect way for kids to give basketball a go! 🏀

#### 🎯 Focus:

Fun & Enjoyment  
Fundamental Movement Skills  
Simple Basketball Skills  
Team Play & Participation

#### 📅 Dates:

Wednesdays -4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> March

#### 📍 Venue:

NBS Oxford Street Stadium

#### 🕒 Times:

4:00pm, 5:00pm, 6:00pm

#### 💰 Cost:

\$25 per player  
\$20 for sessions  
\$5 BBNZ Levy

