



ABERDEEN PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



3rd April 2018, Week 10 Term 1

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FORTHCOMING DATES

April

Wednesday 11th School Cross Country
Thursday 12th PSSA Rugby League
ANZAC Day Assembly
Friday 13th Last day of Term 1

May

Tuesday 1st Students return for Term 2
Tuesday 8th Zone Cross Country
Thursday 10th P & C Mother's Day Breakfast
P & C Mother's Day Stall
9.30 – 11am
Friday 11th Half-Day Public Holiday
Tuesday 15th Vision Screening Year 1
Friday 18th Stewart House Donations Due

BANKING DAY IS THURSDAY

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful long weekend and have returned for a busy, but fun last two weeks of term.

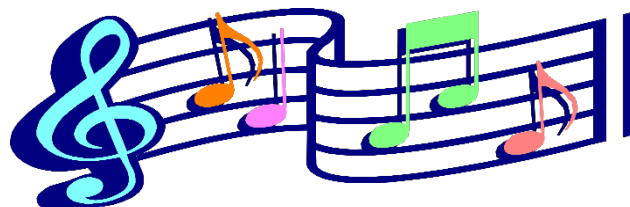
A huge thank you to our students, school community and the P&C for yet another highly successful Easter Raffle. Without your support and effort, our school would not be the same. Congratulations to the lucky winners! We are still trying to contact the winner of the 10th Prize; if you know someone with the name Bailin, please have them contact the school.

Last Wednesday staff at Aberdeen PS updated their training in Anaphylaxis and CPR. This means any school excursion organised by APS will have at least one trained staff member who can assist in these emergencies. Thank you to all staff who gave up their time to participate.

We are also holding our Cross Country practice run this Friday. If your child is in Year 2 and turns 8 years old this year, they will join with students in Years 3-6 to walk the course with the teachers before the race. The actual Cross Country race is next Wednesday 11th April at Jefferson Park, Aberdeen.

I am looking forward to the Kindergarten Music Concert next Thursday afternoon. Mr Hughes and Mrs Thompson are very proud of the students' efforts this term and it is wonderful for them to have the opportunity to show off their talents to family and friends. Thank you Mr Hughes and Mrs Thompson for making this possible.

Mrs Kerrigan



Kinder Music Mini-concert

During Term 1, Kindergarten have been spending Thursday afternoons learning new performance and singing skills with Mrs Thompson and Mr Hughes. Parents and friends are invited to attend a mini-concert on Thursday 12th April at 2.20pm in the Hall. Kindergarten students will perform a selection of songs and performance pieces that they have been practising during the term.

CHANGES TO SCHOOL HOME TIME ROUTINES

This week, the school is trialling new home time routines. Students will move to a designated area in the school depending on their travel routine. All bus travellers will sit and wait in their bus line under the COLA, with the exception of students who catch the 2.55pm buses from the front of APS. These students will line up at the two pedestrian gates at the front of the school. Walkers and riders will sit and wait on the covered seating outside the office. Children being picked up will sit under the covered area outside the hall. All areas will be supervised by a teacher or teachers who will oversee the dispersal of students from the assigned area. ***Please keep these areas clear for students to assemble and bear with us during this trial period.***



Please let the office know by 2pm if your child's home routine changes for any reason. This way, the office can advise your child and the duty teachers. Please do not send messages to your child's mobile device.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Interviews will be held on the following days:

5 Green	Tuesday 3 rd April
6 Magenta	Wednesday 4 th April
3/4 Black	Wednesday 4 th April
2/3 Red	Thursday 5 th April
1/2 Yellow	Tuesday 10 th April
3/4 Orange	Tuesday 10 th April
1/2 Lime	Wednesday 11 th April



MERIT BADGE Dean M.
BRONZE BAR Hayley M.

PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

K BLUE Emelia J. – always trying her best when
K PURPLE Lucas R. – being a safe and responsible
 traveller to and from school on the bus.
1/2 YELLOW Oliana L. – using a wide range of skills to
 build meaning while reading.
1/2 LIME Lily R. – excellence in writing a six
 sentence story to entertain someone.
2/3 RED Ella W. – writing an excellent
 information report on the life cycle of a
 phasmid.
3/4 ORANGE Lauchlan D. – developing his writing
 stamina.
3/4 BLACK Emily S. – excellent effort in writing.
5 GREEN Rossi L. – his effort in creating an
 interesting and informative Harmony
 Day display.
6 MAGENTA Malaki P. – an outstanding emotive text
 about Harmony Day.

MERIT AWARDS

K BLUE Bailey L.
K PURPLE Skylar C.
1/2 YELLOW Austin O.
1/2 LIME Riley B.
2/3 RED Lexia-Lee H.
3/4 ORANGE John D.
3/4 BLACK Ethan W.
5 GREEN Charlotte B.
6 MAGENTA Vanessa H.

PBL AWARDS

K BLUE Lucas M.
K PURPLE Deacon B.
1/2 YELLOW Koby K.
1/2 LIME Kash L.
2/3 RED Cameron D.
3/4 ORANGE Ruby T.
3/4 BLACK Hunter H.
5 GREEN Charlotte W.
6 MAGENTA Ayesha M.
6 AQUA Riley T.

PBL @ ASSEMBLY

This week's award is an art session.

K BLUE Tyson G.
K PURPLE Skylar C.
1/2 YELLOW Hunter W.
1/2 LIME Gabriela R.
2/3 RED Jacob M.

3/4 ORANGE Nikau M.
3/4 BLACK Blyhe D.
5 GREEN Rossi L.
6 MAGENTA Noni D.
6 AQUA Riley T.



STEWART HOUSE DONATION DRIVE

All donation envelopes need to be returned to school by
 Friday 18th May.

NETBALL POSTPONED

Unfortunately, our scheduled game against Scone PS has
 had to be postponed to one day in early Term 2. The
 change of date is due to notification this morning that the
 PSSA Netball carnival is also scheduled for this Friday and
 Scone PS have students representing. A Term 2 date for
 the game will be advertised in the newsletter once
 finalised.



K Blue & 6 Aqua will present items at assembly this week.

K PURPLE – Miss Lewis

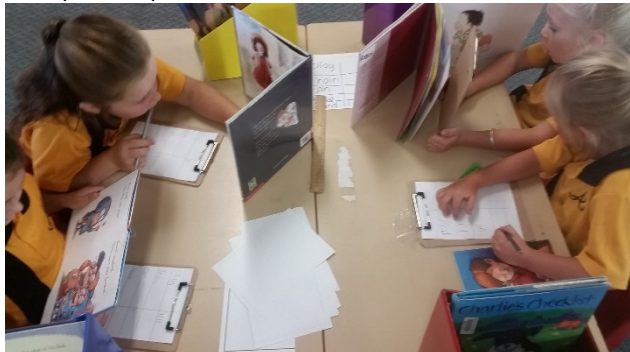
Wow, it has been a busy week in Kindergarten Purple!
 With only 4 days to get things done we have been working
 very hard. On Wednesday, Kindergarten Blue joined us for
 a Science Experiment. We have been looking this term at
 where milk comes from and what we can make with it. We
 first talked about all the things that are made out of milk
 and then we made some ice-cream. To make our ice-
 cream we put cream, sugar and vanilla essence into a
 medium-sized zip-lock bag and ice and salt inside a large
 zip-lock bag. We then placed the medium-sized zip-lock
 bag into the large bag. It was very important that we made
 sure it was zipped up properly so we did not make a mess.
 Then came the hard part; we needed to shake the bag
 quickly for 10mins until the mixture turned into ice-cream.
 Miss Lewis gave us a tea towel to wrap it in because it was
 so cold. After the timer went off we were so excited to see
 that we had made our own ice-cream and we could not
 wait to try it. We all took a recipe home so that we could
 make it with our families.



1/2 YELLOW – Mrs Loveridge

Parent/Teacher interviews for our class will be held on Tuesday 10th April. Could you please return the slip indicating your referred times if you have not already.

Homework will run up until the end of the term. Could all homework books and home reading please be returned on Friday 13th April 2018.



Let the word hunt begin...

5 GREEN – Mrs Thackeray

This term, 5 Green has been working on the Colonisation of Australia. We have looked at the pre-history of colonisation by reading and viewing images from the British Industrial Revolution, how this affected the lives and environments of the British people, how poverty and crime in this time led to a large number of people being placed into gaols. Then onto convicts being sent to the British Colonies, and the impact of these colonies on Indigenous people.

This week we had a look at the gory history of Alexander Pearce, a hardened criminal that was sent to the very harsh penal colony of Macquarie Harbour, on Sarah Island (Tasmanian coast). Through the reading of a newspaper article, Year 5 learned about the penal colony, and how Pearce and some others convicts, had managed to escape and survive in the very harsh landscape. Ask a Year 5 person how Pearce did it! Twice!

6 AQUA – Mr Stuart

This week in Aqua we had the pleasure of showing Mrs. Floyd around the chicken coop and showcasing the responsibilities of our class. We are working together to overcome new challenges and are very excited about presenting the next assembly item. Watch this space!



P&C News

Meal deal day - our fundraising committee is holding a meal deal day on Friday 13th April. Notes will go home tomorrow. We are in need of some more helpers, so if you have a few spare hours please let us know.

Canteen - things are moving forward with our canteen and we are on track to reopen next term. Please fill in and return the canteen helper form if you would like to volunteer your time to help keep the canteen operational.



A MESSAGE FROM YOUR SCHOOL CANTEEN COMMITTEE

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We would really appreciate your help! YOU can make a difference.

Where: In our school canteen.

When: Whenever you are able - Fortnightly, Monthly or once a term.

Hours: 8.30am-2pm.

Experience: Not necessary. Everything you need to know is learnt in a short period of time.

Salary: 'A La Carte' lunch (sandwich?), plenty of tea and coffee and best of all friendship.

Bonus: Your children are happy to see you here at school. You have the opportunity to spoil them a little (all for a good cause!). You meet new people and make new friends.

Applications close: NEVER, always recruiting.

Please fill in this slip and return it to the office as soon as possible. The roster and parent helper pack are in the process of being made.

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Name: _____ Phone: _____

Child's Name: _____ Class: _____

☐ Monday ☐ Fortnightly

☐ Friday ☐ Monthly

☐ Once a term

Note: All parents that volunteer in the school for any P&C related events including the canteen need to complete an appendix 5 form prior to commencement, that can be collected from the office.

~ Working together can make great things happen within our school community~



21 RYAN AVENUE, SINGLETON

MAJESTIC CINEMAS

School Holidays



ALL YOU NEED IS THIS VOUCHER!

\$9.90*

ALL TICKETS

Bring this coupon to Majestic Cinemas Singleton for a \$9.90 movie ticket

Valid Until 30th April, 2018

*Conditions: coupon must be surrendered to receive ticket offer. Not valid with any other offer. Coupon valid for up to 4 tickets per use.

PH: 6571 5252
WWW.MAJESTICCINEMAS.COM.AU



Ways Aberdeen parents can save even more at **LOWES**

Lowes provides numerous opportunities for parents to purchase uniforms at discounted prices throughout the year. These are:-

Lowes Loyalty Cards
Lowes has 2 Loyalty Card programs

- 1) Rewards Card – this allows parents to accumulate points valued at 5% of what they spend which is then given back to them twice a year to redeem in store or on line.
Applications are quick & easy they can be filled out in store & take effect immediately.



- 2) Zero Card – this is an in house credit facility that gives parents a 5% discount off every purchase.
For further information on the Lowes Zero Card please see flyer attached.



NOTE:

Lowes holds regular "20% Off Everything" discount days throughout the year for both Loyalty Card holders
All discount days are communicated to all card holders via SMS &/or email prior to the events.



Did You Know ?

That you can purchase your uniform 24 / 7 at Lowes On Line.

<https://www.lowes.com.au/schools-online/aberndeen-public-school>

You can nominate to Click & Collect in store or for a small postage charge of \$10 have the items delivered to your door.

All purchases of \$100 or more receive free postage.



UPPER HUNTER SHIRE LIBRARIES School Holiday Activities

ABERDEEN Phone 6540 1303	MERRIWA Phone 6521 7007	SCONE Phone 6540 1183
Tuesday 17 April 1:00-2:00pm Wooden Birdhouse	Tuesday 17 April 11:00am Build together a Super Dooper Propulsion Car	Monday 16 April 10:30am Autumn Craft
Wednesday 18 April 3:30pm Bird Mobiles	Tuesday 24 April 11:00am Build together a Wooden Marble Roller Coaster Slide	Wednesday 18 April 11:30am Paper Sculptures
Friday 20 April 2:30pm Butterfly Jewel Magnets	Friday 27 April 2:30pm Felt Tissue Holder	Friday 20 April 10:30pm Storytime
Tuesday 24 April 1:00-2:00pm Anzac Poppy Gardens	Wednesday 18 April 10:30am Pet Rocks	Monday 23 April 10:30am Anzac Craft
Friday 27 April 2:30pm Felt Tissue Holder	Tuesday 24 April 10:30am Anzac Craft	Friday 27 April 10:30pm Storytime

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
Places are limited

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COMING EVENTS IN APRIL

5th April - Transition to School Meeting

An information evening has been organised for Thursday the 5th April, 6:00 – 8:30pm at the Upper Hunter Shire Council Administration Building.

ABERDEEN JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

Aberdeen junior rugby league is starting Saturday 7/4/18. We have sides entered in the 5/6,7,8,9 &10 year age groups and all these sides require more numbers. This year with the sporting grant means that registration is free. If interested you can contact Ben Daniels 0402051787 or turn up to training at Jefferson Park Thursday 4pm (bring copy of birth certificate).



Good for Kids good for life

SUGARY DRINKS

The NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy was introduced in 2017. As part of the strategy, sugary drinks are not to be sold in the canteen.

Sugary drinks include: regular soft drinks, flavoured mineral waters, flavoured waters, sports waters, sports drinks, fruit drinks, coconut waters, cordials, slushies and frozen fruit drinks with less than 99% fruit juice. All energy drinks are also included.

Our canteen stocks refreshing everyday drinks for the students and includes water, plain and/or flavoured milk and 99% fruit juice.

Why not try cutting back on sugary drinks at home too?



NSW Health
Hunter New England
Local Health District

PHONE 4924 6499



Aberdeen Public School
P & C Association
ABN 408 020 652 02
Goodness Truth Beauty

Expression of Interest Aberdeen Public School Canteen Co-Ordinator

The P & C is now taking applications for Canteen Co-Ordinator to help run and oversee our school canteen. The school canteen will be open Monday & Friday 8.30am-2pm from the start of Term 2.
Please note this is a voluntary position.

Role Description:

- * Plan, organise and monitor day to day canteen operations.
- * Place all stock orders and regularly undertake a stock-take.
- * Organise roster of volunteers to ensure the canteen is open 2 days a week.
- * Adhere to the NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy, which encourages healthy eating habits in our children.
- * Hold a Food handling certificate, or be willing to undertake training to attain one
- * Complete all Child Protection documentation, including 100 points of ID.
- * Complete a monthly report in writing and submit to the P&C meeting.

If you would like further information regarding this role, please contact Amanda Taylor, Chair Canteen Committee on 0417469198.

If this position interests you, please submit a written Expression of Interest including the following information:

- * Name
- * Contact details
- * Skills & experience relevant to the role
- * Food handling certificate information or your willingness to obtain one
- * Working with Children Check information or your willingness to obtain one

Expression of Interest are due Wednesday 11th April and can be left in a sealed envelope at the school office clearly labelled:

Aberdeen Public School P & C,
"Private & Confidential",
E.O.I – Canteen Co-Ordinator.

Aberdeen Public School P & C.

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