



ABERDEEN PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

1st May 2018, Week 1 Term 2

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FORTHCOMING DATES

May

Sunday 6 th	Horse Festival Parade
Tuesday 8 th	Zone Cross Country at Karoola Park Muswellbrook
Thursday 10 th	P & C Mother's Day Breakfast P & C Mother's Day Stall 9.30 – 11am
Friday 11th	Half-Day Public Holiday
Tuesday 15 th	Vision Screening Year 1
Wednesday 16 th	P & C Meeting 6pm
15 th – Thur 17 th	NAPLAN Years 3 and 5
Friday 18 th	Stewart House Donations Due

BANKING DAY IS THURSDAY

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome to Term 2. Last term was extremely busy and I know to expect the same this term. Great things are planned, including the re-opening of the school canteen every Monday and Friday. Many thanks to those who have helped to make this happen. It has been a lot of hard work, but it will be worth it for our students.

Mrs Mooring and I felt very privileged to attend the PESA Conference at the end of last term as part of the community of schools working with Where There's A Will. There was a wealth of knowledge shared by leading experts in positive education and we are excited to start implementing a few ideas at APS. These include upcoming changes to our K-6 Friday assembly and the structure and organisation of our SRC. The proposed changes to the SRC will see our student representatives take on portfolios that they will be responsible for managing and the introduction of class captains who will present class ideas and questions at SRC meetings. Our Year 6 representatives are excited about this new venture to increase student voice at APS.

On behalf of Where There's A Will, I also invite you to attend a presentation by **Dr Michael Carr-Gregg**, an Adolescent and Child Psychologist. His presentation will address THE 5 GREAT PARENTING CHALLENGES - MILLENNIAL PARENTING MUST KNOWS - Alcohol - online safety - sleep - other key issues.

WHEN: Tuesday 22 May at 7pm

WHERE: Multipurpose Centre, Muswellbrook HS
King Street, Muswellbrook

Entry is free.

STEWART HOUSE DONATION DRIVE

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

Half Day Public Holiday

Aberdeen Public School will operate as usual from 8.30 until 12.00pm on **Friday 11th May**. During these hours, all staff will complete their duties. From 12.00pm the school will be closed due to the half-day public holiday for businesses and schools in the Scone Shire. **You will need to arrange for your child to be collected at 12pm on Friday 11 May 2018.**

Horse Festival Parade this Sunday 6th May

We are very excited to have a float entered in the Scone Horse Festival Parade. Our dedicated team have asked for all participating students to come dressed in brightly coloured attire, the brighter the better to fit with this year's theme 'Ignite the Fun'. **Students should meet at the float section in Kingdom Street, Scone at 10am to have their face painted.** If you are able to assist with face painting, please see Chelle Smith (Float Co-ordinator). The parade commences at 10.45am.

Bell Times

Please be advised of changes to our bell times. Recess is at 10.30 -11.05 am and lunch is from 1.05 -1.40 pm. Both breaks are 35 minutes, including 10 minutes eating time. **The starting and finishing times of 8.55 am and 2.55 pm have not changed.**

NAPLAN

Students in Year 3 and Year 5 will sit NAPLAN from Tuesday 15th May until Thursday 17th May.

An information sheet has been sent home with students along with their newsletter today.

If you would like any further information about NAPLAN please contact the school or your child's teacher.

ANZAC DAY

Mr Hughes did a wonderful job organising our school's ANZAC assembly this year, as did our school captains who led the ceremony. Many thanks to Doug McLeod, and Adam and Sandy Morrison for enabling our students to get "hands-on" for ANZAC day.

I would also like to acknowledge all students of APS who gave a morning of their holiday to march on ANZAC Day. I cannot commend those present enough for their respect and conduct throughout the march and service. You made your family, the whole community and me proud. In you, we entrust the ANZAC spirit. Lest we forget.



NEW HOME TIME ROUTINES MAINTAINED

We will be maintaining our procedures trialled at the end of last term for the dismissal of students in the afternoon. These changes were necessary, as there were several issues with both the car park situation and the buses. The Road Safety Officer for the Department of Education highlighted these during a visit to the school, as situations that posed significant risk to our students. Due to student safety concerns, the school had put the new procedures in place to reduce risk. If you wish to know more about the report compiled by the Road Safety Officer, please contact the school office.

CLARIFICATION OF AFTERNOON PICK UP ROUTINES

To assist with the new procedures, we ask parents who are collecting their child/ren from school to do so from the designated **Pick Up Zone** (outside hall). Form a line at the end of the walkway, provide the name of your child/ren to the teacher on duty, collect your child/ren and exit the school. Pick up duty finishes at 3.15pm. You can pick your child/ren up anytime between 2.55pm and 3.15pm. Any child not collected by this time, will go to the teacher on Long Bus duty for supervision.

Please contact the school by letter or phone to advise the school of changes to your child's home time routines so we can adjust our records. If you are running late, please contact the school so we can reassure your child that you are on your way.

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

This year, we will be holding our school athletics carnival much earlier than usual due to facility upgrades. Our proposed date is Thursday 24 May. More information will be forthcoming in the next two weeks.

Have a great week.

Mrs Kerrigan



SILVER BAR Malaki P. (presented at last assembly) PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

K BLUE	Ethan T-F. – his attention to detail when creating his artwork called “Giraffes can’t dance”.
K PURPLE	Deacon B. – consistent achievement in reading.
1/2 YELLOW	Lacie H. - beginning to critically analyse the information she reads.
1/2 LIME	Aiden H. – always having a go and trying his best.
2/3 RED	Amelia I. – working to improve her writing by focusing on her learning goals.
3/4 ORANGE	Lauchlan D. – an excellent informative text about Aboriginal Culture.
3/4 BLACK	Kelsea R. – displaying enthusiasm when testing scientific theories.
5 GREEN	Ethan G. - enthusiastic participation in Anzac Day school activities.
6 MAGENTA	Kate S. – always giving her best.
6 AQUA	Shene K. – showing mature leadership skills.

MERIT AWARDS

K BLUE	Payton R.
K PURPLE	Clancy C.
1/2 YELLOW	Holly G.
1/2 LIME	Grace P.
2/3 RED	Jarred M.
3/4 ORANGE	Travis D.
3/4 BLACK	Kallen R.
5 GREEN	Caitlyn T.
6 MAGENTA	Hayley T.

PBL AWARDS

K BLUE	Tye-Leslie M.
K PURPLE	Amelia L.
1/2 YELLOW	Scott Lye
1/2 LIME	Callie R.
2/3 RED	Samuel J.
3/4 ORANGE	Abbergail N.
3/4 BLACK	Lilly B.
5 GREEN	Sienna B.
6 MAGENTA	Hayley M.

PBL @ ASSEMBLY

This week's award is Out of Uniform.

K BLUE	Tori J.
K PURPLE	Brax C.
1/2 YELLOW	Morgan A.
1/2 LIME	Grace P.
2/3 RED	Samuel J.
3/4 ORANGE	Emity C.
3/4 BLACK	Kelsea R.
5 GREEN	Jordon H.
6 MAGENTA	Vanessa H.
6 AQUA	Koby S.

Congratulations to the following students who successfully achieved a placing in the school cross country and will now represent at Zone on Tuesday 8th at Karoola Park Muswellbrook.

Girls	Boys
Sophie W. (8-9 years)	Jett P. (8-9 years)
Emily C. (8-9 years)	Tommy R. (8-9 years)
Grace G. (8-9 years)	Hunter H. (8-9 years)
Emily McM. (10 years)	Fletcher D. (10 years)
Gabriella P. (10 years)	Ethan W. (10 years)
Blythe D. (10 years)	Taj B. (10 years)
Sienna B. (11 years)	Steven B. (11 years)
Charlotte B. (11 years)	Logan S. (11 years)
Charlotte W. (11 years)	Ethan G. (11 years)
Vanessa H. (opens)	Phillip S. (opens)
Malaki P. (opens)	Austin McG. (opens)
Georgia M. (opens)	Griff L. (opens)



K BLUE – Miss Purcell

Welcome back to Term 2, I hope you all had a restful time with your families. I am looking forward to hearing all the holiday stories.

A special thanks to Mr Hughes, Mrs Thompson and Kindergarten for putting on a fantastic Music Concert for us all to enjoy. It was lots of fun!

During the last week of term, we celebrated Anzac Day. Students visited a fantastic display set up by the local RSL sub-branch. The students were able to learn what soldier's eat, where they sleep, what they wear and carry. A favourite of all students was the camouflage face painting and wearing of the soldier's uniforms.



Kindergarten Music Concert

1/2 Lime – Miss Faras

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope you all had a fantastic break. This week we will be finishing an information text on ourselves and displaying it on our windows. Please come and read about us! We will also be writing a journal on what we did in the holidays.

I am very excited to announce that our class will be participating in the Upper Hunter Eisteddfod in the Mime category. We will have two groups of ten students and this term we will be working on it in class and with Miss Bray during Drama. A permission note will be sent home this term. Please look out for it in students' bags.

Students will be doing Drama with Miss Bray and Library with Mrs Thompson. These will both be on Wednesday. PE will be on Thursday. Next week homework will commence and a note will be sent home explaining the activities. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

2/3 Red – Miss Clendinning

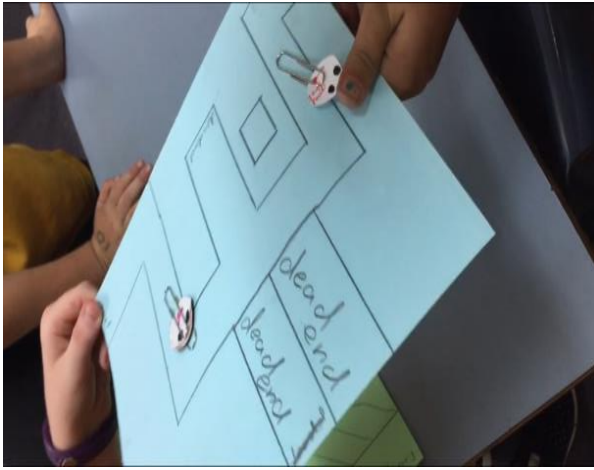
Welcome back. I hope you all had a safe and restful break. Homework will start next week, please check your child's spelling to ensure they have written their spelling words correctly. We have a busy term ahead of us with the athletics carnival, Mother's Day and NAPLAN fast approaching.



Photo bombed by Year 6 during ANZAC Day activities! 6M joined with 2/3 R to check out the army display.

3/4 Black – Mr Ramage

In science last term, we investigated forces. We set up a workshop full of hands on activities for students to engage in to explore magnetism, elasticity and friction. Students from 3/4 Black and 3/4 Orange constructed catapults, mazes and rockets to test their scientific theories. They had an absolute blast doing this and many commented how they were keen to go home and make even bigger and better constructions.



6 Magenta – Mrs Pennell



We're back!

P&C NEWS

Nachos Meal Deal Day

Thank you to all the students and teachers that supported our first meal deal day for 2018. We made \$505 profit. A big thank you to our helpful mums Bec, Bree, Tanya, Cherrilee & Courtney for giving up their day to help us out.

Mother's Day Breakfast

We are in need of a couple of dads/pops to help with our breakfast next Thursday morning 10th May. If you can help, please contact Jodie.

Mother's Day Stall

Students will be able to purchase a special surprise for Mother's Day next Thursday, 10th May. More information is to come on what we have for sale. I will contact a handful of helpers that have indicated via the fundraising form, they could help.

Term 2 Disco

We are in discussions with the staff on what dates work best. Stay tuned.

Canteen News

We have a new Canteen Coordinator - Bree Gorrell. We are just getting the final approval to reopen and are organising to contact all those who said they could volunteer.

Next P&C Meeting

Wednesday 16th May at 6pm.

PBL UPDATE

The school is revising its three core expectations of Ready, Respectful and Responsible. Whilst we are happy with the last two, we are thinking that 'Ready' doesn't really describe the standard of behaviour we strive to instil in our students. What we really want is for students to strive for personal best. Stay tuned!



COMING EVENTS IN MAY

DR MICHAEL CARR-GREGG
ADOLESCENT & CHILD PSYCHOLOGIST

7pm, Tuesday 22 May 2018
Muswellbrook High School
Multipurpose Centre King Street, Muswellbrook

FREE ENTRY

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MILLENNIAL PARENTING MUST KNOWS
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