



ABERDEEN PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



5th March 2019, Week 6 Term 1

Website <https://aberdeen-p.schools.nsw.gov.au>

FORTHCOMING DATES

March

Friday 8th NRL Development visit
Horse Sports Blandford
Clean Up Australia Day (school clean up day)

Friday 15th Netball Gala Day

May

14th – 16th NAPLAN Years 3 and 5

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

EX-STUDENTS RETURN TO A.P.S

Doc and Garry are back again this week to continue coaching lessons. Seeing members of the local bowling club instructing our students in lawn bowls is a wonderful reminder of how amazing the Aberdeen community truly is. Students are embracing the opportunity to learn a new sport and we hope that some may consider taking up bowls as a regular sport. We have great facilities in Aberdeen and people who are more than willing to support young players.



BEST OF LUCK, FLETCHER!



Fletcher D. is off to regional swimming this week.

*Swimming Carnival Ribbons
will be presented and Age
Champions announced at
our Friday Assembly
8th March 2019*

HARMONY DAY 2019

To help celebrate our diverse community, we are inviting all interested students and their families to participate in showcasing their culture. This may involve a static display of culturally significant items and costumes, family heritage memorabilia, maps, videos, photographs, national food dishes, music, dance and so on. Students will have an opportunity to share with their peers and visitors, their knowledge of their cultural heritage. Some families may be interested in performing a dance, song or play from their homeland.

WHEN: Thursday 21st March

WHERE: Aberdeen PS Hall

TIME: Set up from 8.30. Class visits from 9.15am

An expression of interest is attached to this newsletter. Please complete and return to school by Friday 15th March if you will be participating with a display or performance in celebration of Harmony Day 2019. Scone Neighbourhood Centre is also organising Harmony Day events please contact them for details.

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION NEWS

This week we had our first gathering with Jacob Ellis from OCHRE. Thanks to Mrs Kerrigan for our large mat that is perfect for the students to sit on. Jacob spoke to the students about what we will be doing this year, including dancing and Aboriginal art. The students were excited when Jacob told them about performing at School Assemblies and for NAIDOC Week. The students will meet with Jacob every Thursday at lunch time with Miss McAllister and Mr Wright. All students are welcome to participate in these cultural activities.



KIA ORA

If your child wishes to attend the Kia Ora music camp please return the note that was sent home as additional paperwork needs to be completed. To save on photocopying, this is only available to interested students who return the original form.



At Aberdeen Public School

A play-based group for 0-6 year olds, focused on parent education and child development, run by a qualified primary school teacher

Free

Every Monday during school terms, beginning Week 3,
February 11th 2019

9:30am- 11:30am

Tea and Coffee provided

Please bring your own morning tea, hats and water bottles.

Guest speakers/ presentations
throughout the term

For further information or to register your interest, please contact Aberdeen Public School on 0265437271, or email Aberdeen-PS@det.nsw.edu.au

PBL CORNER

CORE EXPECTATION:



DESIRED BEHAVIOUR:

Be in the right place, at the right time, doing the right thing.



PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

K RED	Warren B. - his improved focus during reading rotations.
K/1 PURPLE	Tye-Leslie M. - always demonstrating enthusiasm and a keenness to learn.
1/2 LIME	Memphis H. - using interesting verbs to make his writing more engaging.
1/2 YELLOW	Imogen D. - respecting the classroom environment by always putting things away.
3/4 BLACK	Sammy D. - his tremendous efforts in writing.
3/4 ORANGE	Jack D. - inclusion of specific descriptive language and topic specific words in his writing.
5/6 GREEN	Charlotte B. - excellent contributions to a discussion about writing.
5/6 MAGENTA	Rossi L. - displaying confidence and leadership during maths sessions.

MERIT AWARDS

K RED	Lilly M.
K/1 PURPLE	Phoebe H-B.
1/2 LIME	Cruz P.
1/2 YELLOW	Sonny D.
3/4 BLACK	Lucas D.
3/4 ORANGE	Lauchlan D.
5/6 GREEN	Caitlyn T.
5/6 MAGENTA	Tamika R.

PBL AWARDS

K RED	Mason H.
K/1 PURPLE	Rogue R.
1/2 LIME	Sienna L.
1/2 YELLOW	Holly G.
3/4 BLACK	Lexia-Lee H.
3/4 ORANGE	Koby K.
5/6 GREEN	Taylah M.
5/6 MAGENTA	Reanna M.

CLASS NEWS

K/1 PURPLE – Miss Lenton

K/1 Purple have had a busy few weeks with lawn bowls, Best Start assessments and some big routine changes that they adjusted to wonderfully and without any fuss. We will be holding the Kindergarten Best Start interviews this Thursday. I have received some notes with a time preference, but if you have not yet done so, please return your note as soon as possible to reserve your time allocation. Parents of Year 1 students will have the opportunity to discuss their child during Week 8 meetings with teachers. Homework has been going well, with most students returning homework and readers each week. Readers should be read each night and changed each day at school. We still have some students missing art shirts. In order to keep school clothes clean, please ensure you have sent in an old shirt or an art smock.



Lucas and Dean showing off the new book boxes. Each child is K-2 has a book box to store their current reading material.

1/2 YELLOW – Miss Clendinning

The term is disappearing before our eyes. Please remember to check in with your child to ensure that they are completing their home readers, and working on their spelling and number activities for homework each week. As the term flies by, I'm pleased to report an improvement in student reading levels. To help guide students in their learning we have set up a goal wall in our classroom. 1/2 Yellow can't wait to fill their goal post wall with goals they have 'kicked'.



Double winners. Last week we won the tidy class award and the attendance super hero.

3/4 Black – Mrs McTaggart

In 3/4 Black we have made an artwork showcasing our character strengths. We shared it at our Week 4 assembly, but in case you missed it, here it is.



Some students would like to share with you a little about their personal strengths –

- Hunter: My personal strength is humour because I usually get in trouble for bursting out with laughter in class. I'm also great at jokes, here is one I picked just for you today: Why did the golfer wear two pairs of jeans? In case he got a hole in one!
- Hi, my name is Matty and my character strength is teamwork because I am always fair.

- Sammy: I think that my strength is kindness because if someone is feeling down I'm always there for them and I will help you out.
- Hi, my name is Abby and my character strength is creativity. I enjoy making felt photos and paint pictures. I love making art work.

General Housekeeping

Students are going to be participating in lawn bowls as sport on Tuesday for the next 3 weeks. This will replace Friday sport. Please remind your child that they need to have their hats on Tuesday and Wednesday.

5/6 Magenta – Mrs Pennell

Thank you to the parents who have logged on to their child's SeeSaw App. As you can see, we are beginning to show you lots of great work and our organisation is steadily improving!

Magenta is working hard with Mrs Mooring learning about Federation and Democracy in History and with Mrs Keating, learning about Light Shows during Science. The students are to be commended on the way they are following our class PBL matrix to display consistent behaviours in our classroom with different adults in our school community.

Another thank you to everyone who has responded to the student expression of interest to attend the Canberra excursion. As you would now be aware, the payment schedule has been sent home and information will now begin to come home on a regular basis.

P&C NEWS

Canteen:

Your canteen is still in need of some more volunteers. If you can help, even just once a term please let us know.

Easter raffle:

We will be holding our annual Easter raffle and asking all families to please donate something. All donations can be left at the office. A book of 10 tickets for each family will be sent home soon.

FOR SALE
Laptop Bags

\$20 each

Please contact the school if you would like to purchase one.

REMINDERS

SCHOOL FEES

Voluntary School contributions for 2019 are \$35 per student or \$70 for 2 students or more in a family. Payments can be made at the office.

TRAVEL ROUTINES

If your child's travel home from school changes in any way please notify the school office by phone or letter before lunch time. This helps us support your child and avoids any confusion or upset at the end of a busy day.

PAYMENTS TO THE OFFICE

When sending money to school for payments could you please enclose the money in an envelope marked with your child's name, class and what the payment is for. Payment envelopes can be collected from the front office to assist in this process.

International Women's Day
INVITATION

You are invited to attend the International Women's Day social and fundraising event in support of **Share The Dignity**.

Please bring along a donation of new toiletries for a woman in need to receive through local services.

Champagne on arrival • finger food
• raffle prizes • networking.

WEDNESDAY, 13 MARCH 2019
6.30-8.30pm Scone Race Club, 434 Burnian Rd, Scone
RSVP: Contact Amanda Catzikiris from Upper Hunter Shire Council on 6540 1153 or acatzikiris@upperhunter.nsw.gov.au
Tickets \$40pp
Direct Debit to Upper Hunter Shire Council
BSS 032 619 A/c 128688 Use ref IWD [yourname]
Or Pay in Person at an Upper Hunter Shire Council Administration Office in Scone, Merriwa or Murrumbidgee

We will be supporting Share The Dignity's "Every Girl Deserves an Education" initiative, raising funds to install 10 new #pinkbox Dignity Vending Machines into schools in low socio-economic areas across Australia. #EndPeriodPoverty

Better the balance, better the world #BalanceforBetter

The importance of arriving at school on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Have you downloaded our latest communication tools?

Skoolbag
Smartphone school to parent communication

Install the Aberdeen Public School App for FREE in the App Store and Play Store.

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