



# ABERDEEN PUBLIC SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

24<sup>th</sup> September 2019, Week 10 Term 3

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



### FORTHCOMING DATES

#### September

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Last Day of Term 3 (Holidays)

#### October

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Term 4 commences

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> K-2 Excursion to Newcastle

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Mini Fete

#### December

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> Presentation Day

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Farewell

**BANKING DAY IS THURSDAY**

### RECIPES WANTED!

Our P&C have been asking our school community to submit their favourite recipes for publication in an APS Recipe Book. The recipe can be as simple or as complicated as your culinary skills allow, so please support the P&C and your child's school by dropping off your recipe at the school office or contacting Liz Austin via the P&C Facebook page. I will be handing over my recipe for Brazilian Brigadeiros, what culinary delight are you going to share? The recipe books will be available to purchase and will make the perfect Christmas gift or stocking filler.

### CAUTION: SWEATY BRAINS AT WORK

Last Tuesday, a team of talented mathematicians represented APS at the GATS Maths Challenge Day in Muswellbrook. Mrs Mooring accompanied the students who spent the day working their way through a series of maths challenges. The students were required to 'dial up' the character strengths of teamwork, perseverance, self-regulation, curiosity, judgement and love of learning as they problem-solved, debated and negotiated their way through the tasks. Well done to Toby S, Charlie O, Ziggy T, Charlotte W, Connor S, Max O, Rochelle M and Taylah M for giving your best on the day.



### GATS MATHS DAY



### SCIENCE FAIR FUN

Well done to all our Stage 3 students who prepared and presented a science project at the Science Fair last week. This was a spectacular event of scientific splendour for anyone with a curious mind. The students were articulate and confident in sharing the details of their project and it was great to read the journals students completed to document the process. Congratulations to Toby, Summer and Austin for being awarded the top three places and also to Ryley for his award of 'Highly Commended'. Many thanks to Mr Ramage, Mrs Pennell, teachers and parents for supporting students in this process. Special thanks to Miss Janet West for her kind gesture, arriving ahead of her start time to assist students with setting up their projects.



Science Fair Winners

### NAPLAN RESULTS

NAPLAN reports were sent home with your Year 3 or Year 5 child last Friday. A summary of the school's results will be presented at the next P&C meeting in Term 4.

## NO PARKING



Please do not park across the driveway at the bottom gate. This is the access point to our disabled parking and garbage collection area.

## NOTIFYING THE SCHOOL

We understand that at times you may need a friend or relative to pick up your child. To enable this to happen please contact the school by phone or provide your child with a signed note. Only the parent or legal guardian can notify the school of changes of routine. Similarly only the parent or legal guardian can report on absences.

## DEVILS ARK COLOURING COMPETITION WINNERS

### 5/6 year old category

Olivia R.  
Beau D.  
Faith A.  
Travis B.  
Leyon W.  
Nate H.

### 7 year old category

Maddison N.  
Clancy C.  
Tye M.

### 8 year old category

Memphis H.



Ruth Hardy from Land Care will present the winners with their certificates at Friday's assembly.

## MAYOR FOR A DAY AWARDS

At Friday's assembly, our school place getters in the Mayor for a Day Competition will be presented with their awards. At the conclusion of the assembly, the winners and their families are invited to join Mrs Kerrigan in the library for morning tea.

### The winners are:

#### Letter Writing

First - Eli F.  
Second – Sophie W.  
Third – Grace G.

#### Postcard Design

First – Lily R.  
Second – Bridie S.  
Third – Faith A.

Be safe these  
school holidays.



### MERIT BADGE:

Memphis H.  
Molly W.  
Lucas R

### BRONZE BAR:

Molly W.

### PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

#### K RED

Faith A. - immersing herself in tasks and developing her editing skills when writing.

#### K/1 PURPLE

Dean O. - improved confidence in all areas of literacy, and being willing to challenge himself.

#### 1/2 LIME

Tyson G. - improving the quality of his writing by revising and editing.

#### 1/2 YELLOW

Nixon U. – striving to improve his reading by working on his sight words.

#### 3/4 BLACK

Joseph V. - active participation in dance and music lessons.

#### 3/4 ORANGE

Eli F. – problem solving during stem activities.

#### 5/6 GREEN

Reilyn G. – displaying impressive independent working skills.

#### 5/6 MAGENTA

Douglas W. – a well thought out and demonstrated Science Fair exhibit.

### MERIT AWARDS

#### K RED

Boston H.

#### K/1 PURPLE

Noah H.

#### 1/2 LIME

Kenzie H.

#### 1/2 YELLOW

Hudson W.

#### 3/4 BLACK

Matty D.

#### 3/4 ORANGE

Jack D.

#### 5/6 GREEN

Alice D.

#### 5/6 MAGENTA

Rossi L.

### PBL AWARDS

#### K RED

Lochlan T.

Respect

#### K/1 PURPLE

Payton R.

Personal Best

#### 1/2 LIME

Miley C.

Respect

#### 1/2 YELLOW

Scott L.

Respect

#### 3/4 BLACK

Dean M.

Respect

#### 3/4 ORANGE

Cameron D.

Personal Best

#### 5/6 GREEN

Cydi W.

Responsibility

#### 5/6 MAGENTA

Sam G.

Responsibility

### ATTENDANCE FOR TERM 3

Congratulations to all the students who have made a conscious effort to attend school regularly. Despite several classes having over 90% attendance each week, our termly attendance rate for students in Term 3 is just under at 88.23%. I know we can do better as the warmer weather approaches and winter colds disappear. I believe that with a combined effort we can achieve over 90%. Come on everyone, let's do this in Term 4.



## WELLBEING AND PBL CORNER

CORE EXPECTATION: RESPECT

DESIRED BEHAVIOUR: BE POLITE

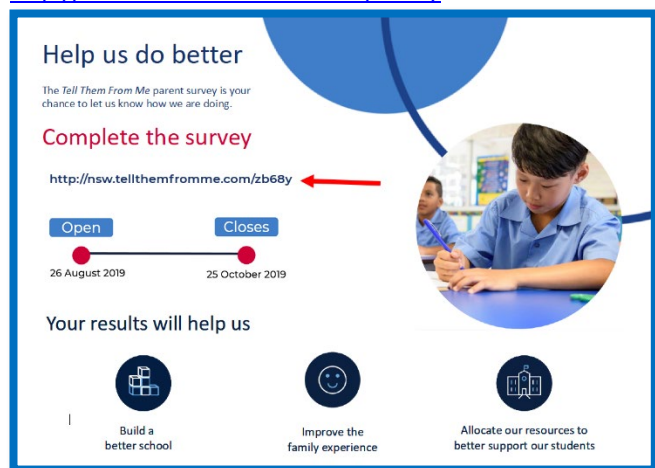
CHARACTER STRENGTH: FAIRNESS

Focus – speak kindly and avoid name calling

### TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEYS

Every year our school participates in the Tell Them from Me Survey, where students in Years 4-6 and parents get the opportunity to provide us with some anonymous feedback. We need as many parents as possible to complete the survey so we can get valuable information that influences planning for our school. All parents are welcome to participate and it will only take a few minutes. Miss McAllister will be coordinating these surveys and Mrs Keegan will join her outside the hall before Assembly each Friday to try and get as many families to complete the survey before the end of term. Alternately, you may like to go online and use this link to complete the survey.

<http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/zb68y>



### SCHOOL SECURITY

During these school holidays, I ask our neighbours and community members to keep an eye on our school and report any suspicious behaviour to the School Safety and Response Unit on 131 444 for non-emergencies and 000 in the case of an emergency. Thank you in anticipation of your assistance.

**Don't forget** to turn on notifications on your phone to receive **instant alerts** from us via the **Skool Loop App**.



Simple free download: In Google Play or App Store search "Skool Loop" & choose our school once installed



K/1 PURPLE – Miss Lenton



We're getting to the end of another great term! With school holidays just around the corner, please encourage your child to return and swap their home readers or just read some loved books over the break to make sure we don't forget what to do! Don't forget about Reading Eggs, it's a great tool for revising letters and sounds and is fun as well! A second excursion note was sent home last week for those who have not returned it. Please return it as soon as possible to ensure your child doesn't miss out on a great day as it is coming up quickly in Week 2. Teddy Bears Picnic was postponed and we will let you know as soon as we have an alternative date.

### 1/2 YELLOW – Miss Clendinning

Parent/teacher interviews are tomorrow. All interview times were sent home via SeeSaw last week. If you need to change your time or are unable to attend, please contact me ASAP. Interviews will go for 10 minutes. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask. I'm looking forward to seeing you tomorrow.



*Surviving wet weather at recess last week. Thank goodness for the rain!*

### 3/4 Black – Mrs McTaggart

3/4 Black will be performing at the assembly this week. Please come along and show your support.

Parent teacher interviews this Wednesday 25th September. I still have interview times available. Please return the note or contact the office if you require an interview time.

Library this Wednesday is for returning library books. Students will not borrow new books until after the holidays.

Please have a safe and happy holiday.



Stretching our bodies, relaxing our minds at Yoga with Mrs Wright.

### 5/6 Magenta – Mrs Pennell

This term Stage 3 have been learning about, and working with indigenous symbols and have created their own artworks and stories to compliment them.

The Mini Fete has been scheduled for Wednesday 30th October, which is in Term 4, Week 3. Year 6 are busily organising their stalls and should make use of the holidays to begin collecting the resources they need.



### P&C NEWS

Thank you to everyone that has supported the P&C over the past term. We are very lucky to have so many parents and grandparents who volunteer to help make our events successful.

NSW Department of Education

## Before and After School Care

### Have your say

The NSW Government is committed to increasing the provision of before and after school care.

Have your say at  
<https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/basc>

Online feedback closes December 2019




**PS ABERDEEN**

## EVERY DAY COUNTS...

*A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...*

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to succeed...

#SCHOOLSEVERDAY Attend Today

Achieve Tomorrow

Are you feeling stressed out trying to be the perfect parent?

Have you tried a lot of strategies and nothing seems to work?

## CIRCLE OF SECURITY PARENTING PROGRAM



COULD HELP.

Where: Brookside, 77 -79 Sydney St, Muswellbrook

When: Wednesdays, 5 pm to 6.30 pm (starts 16.10.19)

How long: 8 weeks  
How much: Free  
Childcare provided

How to enroll: Call Upper Hunter Youth Services on 02 6543 4831.

Upper Hunter Youth Services Inc **Thrive** COUNSELLING AND THERAPY SERVICES





## REGISTRATIONS OPEN: 18TH SEPTEMBER 2019

**FIRST CLUB NIGHT: 16th October 2019**

Join in the fun at Scone Swimming Club:

- Participate in race heats
- Improve your race times
- Have fun and be fit with your friends

Online Registrations @ <https://scone.swimming.org.au/>

- Click **JOIN NOW**
- New members: register with Swim Central (Region: New England North West; Club: Scone Swimming Club)
- Existing members: sign in with Swim Central using your email address.

### Costs:

8yrs and under (subsidised by Scone Swimming Club) - \$64.50

9yrs + - \$92.50

Non-swimmers - \$37.50

Wednesday nights  
from 5.45pm  
October to March

Ages 5+  
must be able to  
swim 25m

New Members  
most welcome

Pointscore  
Competitions and  
Championships

Active Kids  
Vouchers accepted

**SCONE SWIMMING CLUB**  
PO Box 230  
Scone 2337

<https://scone.swimming.org.au/>

Contact: Clare Amot  
0403 007 294

## VIP EVENT - THURSDAY 10TH OCTOBER ZERO & REWARDS CARD HOLDERS

**LOWES**  
**20% OFF SCHOOLWEAR AND EVERYTHING ELSE**

LOWES zero  
LOWES REWARDS CLUB



### INSTORE & ONLINE THURSDAY 10TH OCTOBER.

\* Excludes gift cards, all suit packages & Schoolwear layby's. Cannot be combined with other offers or discounts. Floor stock only. Styles and colours may vary from store to store. No rain checks. Please choose carefully, exchanges and refunds only with docket. Includes existing 5% discount. Offer ends midnight (AEST) 10/10/19. Must use Zero or Rewards card to receive discount.

## Aberdeen Senior and Little Athletics Centre Inc

The start of the 2019/2020 season is fast approaching with all registrations being done through [lansw.gov.au](http://lansw.gov.au). Active Kids Vouchers are acceptable for payment online. Athletics runs for Term 4 & Term 1 with first night being Friday 18 October, 6pm at Harrison Oval, Jefferson Park. Little

Athletics members must be at least 3 years of age & under 17. We also have a senior club for those over 17. These must register on line through Athletics NSW. Further details can be found on our Facebook page or by phoning Denise Bell, 65437537.



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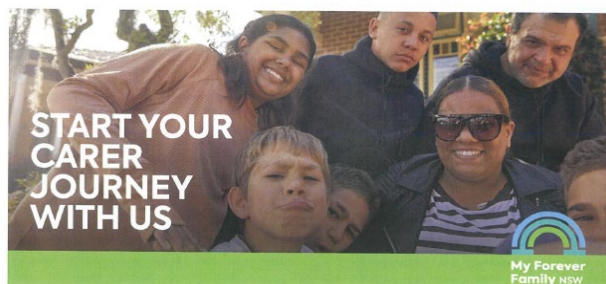
Bring this coupon to Majestic Cinemas Singleton for a \$9.90 movie ticket

Valid Until: 16th October, 2019

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School  
Holiday  
Fun



### Do you have a place in your heart and home to make a difference to a child's life?

At the moment, there aren't enough foster carers to care for children in need across New South Wales. Put simply, we need more carers for all types of care.

**There is a type of care to suit your family:**

- **Emergency care:** A temporary haven for kids when first need a safe place to stay.
- **Respite care:** Respite carers look after children on an occasional basis to give their regular carers a break.
- **Short-term care:** Short-term carers look after children while their families work to bring them home.
- **Adoptive parents and guardians:** When kids can't return home, adoption or guardianship provides them with the safety and stability they need to thrive.

**A special community awaits you.**

The My Forever Family NSW program provides ongoing support, advice and training for all foster carers, guardians and adoptive parents.

Visit our website to learn more.

### Make a difference. Become a carer

Contact **My Forever Family NSW** now to find out how you can become a foster carer.

**CARER SUPPORT LINE**  
**1300 782 975**

Monday to Friday  
9am - 5pm

**CARER SUPPORT**  
enquiries@myforeverfamily.org.au

My Forever Family NSW | [www.myforeverfamily.org.au](http://www.myforeverfamily.org.au)





## Join us at Woodlands for a family open day

9am – noon, Sunday, 13 October, 2019

Come behind the scenes of a leading thoroughbred stud. We'll provide breakfast while you meet our mares and foals, take a look around the farm and chat to team members.

RSVP by Monday, 7 October, 2019  
woodlands.rsvp@godolphin.com or call 65473000



**NSW  
CHILDREN'S  
WEEK 2019  
AWARDS**

Nominations are now open  
for the NSW Children's  
Week 2019 Awards

### Children and young people awards Nominees must be under the age of 18



**Community Art Award**  
For those who inspire through art including painting, drawing, digital art, photography, performance, dance and music.



**Act of Kindness Award**  
For those who have or continue to offer acts of kindness by helping and supporting those around them.



**Newly Arrived Migrant or Refugee Award**  
For those who have made a positive contribution to their local community, region or state.



**Bravery Award**  
For those who demonstrate a single act or ongoing acts of courage, strength or determination



**Giving Back to the Community Award**  
For those who give up their time for their community through volunteering, programs and every day behaviours.



**Environmental Award**  
For those who help support the environment through a range of acts, decisions and initiatives.



**Voice Award**  
For those who have made a positive contribution to their local community, region or state.

### Adult awards Nominees must be over the age of 18

**Inspiring Mentor Award**  
A person or group who supports, encourages and guides children and young people.

**Foster Parent/Guardian Award**  
A person who is committed to helping the lives of children and young people in out of home care.

**Teacher Award**  
A teacher who continues to improve the lives of children and young people and helps them reach their goals.

Children, young people and adults can nominate an individual, group, service or project that falls within the above award categories. The awards were decided by children and young people themselves.

A winner will be chosen for each award category (10 winners in total) and they will receive a \$200 gift card at a special Children's Week event. Nominations for awards close **Sunday 6 October 2019**.

For more information or to nominate, visit:

[www.nswchildrensweek.org.au](http://www.nswchildrensweek.org.au)  
Go directly to the nomination page via: [bit.ly/CW19AN](http://bit.ly/CW19AN)



# JD's World of Magic

"I like me"

**10am  
Thursday 3 October**

**St. James Primary School Hall  
Skellatar Stock Route, Muswellbrook**

RSVP Kimberley 6543 4877 or [toybox@uhcs.org.au](mailto:toybox@uhcs.org.au)

Stay afterwards for a free sausage sandwich and meet other Toy Box families

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NSW CHILDREN'S WEEK 2019

## creative story competition

18 and  
under living  
in NSW

entries close  
Sunday  
6 October 2019

chance to  
win a \$200  
gift card

Do you enjoy writing and telling stories? This is your opportunity to write a creative story about an issue that is important to you and to other children and young people in 2019.

The Office of the Advocate for Children and Young People is inviting entries for the NSW Children's Week 2019 Creative Story Competition. The competition is open to all children and young people up to the age of 18 living in NSW.

Three winners (one winner for each age group: 0-5, 6-11, 12-18) will receive an award and a \$200 gift card at a special Children's Week event.

The winning stories will be decided by famous author and Children's Laureate Morris Gleitzman, together with the NSW Advocate for Children and Young People, the NSW Youth Advisory Council and the NSW Children's Week Committee. Entries close Sunday 6 October 2019.

### How to enter:

1. Use your imagination
2. Write a creative story (200 to 500 words) about an issue that is important to you and to other children and young people in 2019
3. Type your story in the online entry form via the link below



For more information and to enter visit:

[www.acyp.nsw.gov.au](http://www.acyp.nsw.gov.au)  
Go directly to the entry page via: [bit.ly/CW19CS](http://bit.ly/CW19CS)





# Aberdeen Public School P&C Association ABN 40 802 065 202

24<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Every year the P&C appeals to mums, dads, grandparents, carers and extended family to help support our canteen. The canteen is fully staffed by volunteers and managed by a volunteer committee. We are seeking support for people within our school community to join our Term 4 roster. The profits made by the canteen are reinvested back into the school to benefit the children and have been used to buy things such as smart boards for the classrooms and to upgrade equipment within the school.

It is also a wonderful opportunity to see how well your child is doing at school, to see them playing, laughing and learning in the school environment. If you would like to come and help out at the canteen please complete the form below and return it to the school office. If you are an existing canteen helper could you also complete the form with your availability for Term 4, 2019.

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## Can you help?

Canteen Trading Hours & Volunteer Requirements:

**Monday** – Recess & Lunch – 2 people – 8.30am-2.15pm

**Wednesday** – Lunchtime only – 1 person – 12.55pm – 2.00pm – no lunch orders, just snack foods

**Friday** - Recess & Lunch – 2 people – 8.30am-2.15pm

We are aiming to call on people a maximum of twice a term, but we need more volunteers to be added to our roster.

Please nominate if you can help and indicate your preferred day. Please return the slip to the school office:

Full name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Day available \_\_\_\_\_

All volunteers are asked to fill in the Appendix 5 form located at the office and which will be part of the induction into the canteen.

We thank you for your support in helping to keep our canteen doors open.

**Volunteering together to invest in the future of our students**

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