



ABERDEEN PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

24th March 2020, Week 9 Term 1

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

FORTHCOMING DATES

March

Tuesday 24th Government attendance advice implemented from today

Thursday 26th **P & C AGM 6pm – POSTPONED INDEFINITELY**

April

Thursday 9th End of Term 1

Friday 10th Good Friday

Tuesday 28th Students return for Term 2

SPOTLIGHT ON THE WEEK AT SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Carers,

The week has been one of uncertainty as the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our way of life became more and more evident. Yesterday, the Government and Department encouraged parents to keep their child at home from Tuesday 24 March to contribute to supporting the community response to COVID-19. As updated expert information comes to the Department, we will keep you informed of any impact on school operations via our Facebook page, school website and Skool Loop App. For now, APS will remain open for those students whose parents are in the essential services or who are vulnerable (E.g. without care).

Our staff have been working hard to develop a suite of learning resources and options for students to undertake remotely. Due to declining attendance, APS will launch Phase 1 Remote Learning Packages for students in K-6. Packages consist of a unit of work, including links to online resources and advice for parents regarding communication routines. Whether your child is at school or at home, the aim is for all students to access the consistent learning content provided by our school. We will publish details regarding the collection of, or online access to learning packages on our school's Facebook page.

In the event of an extended period of remote learning, the school will communicate new information to you via our school's Facebook page, the school website and the Skool Loop App. Teachers will also maintain established channels of communication, such as Seesaw.

I also encourage parents and carers to access the Learning from Home resource which provides practical advice on how to best create and support a productive learning environment in the home.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/curriculum/learning-from-home/advice-to-parents-and-carers>

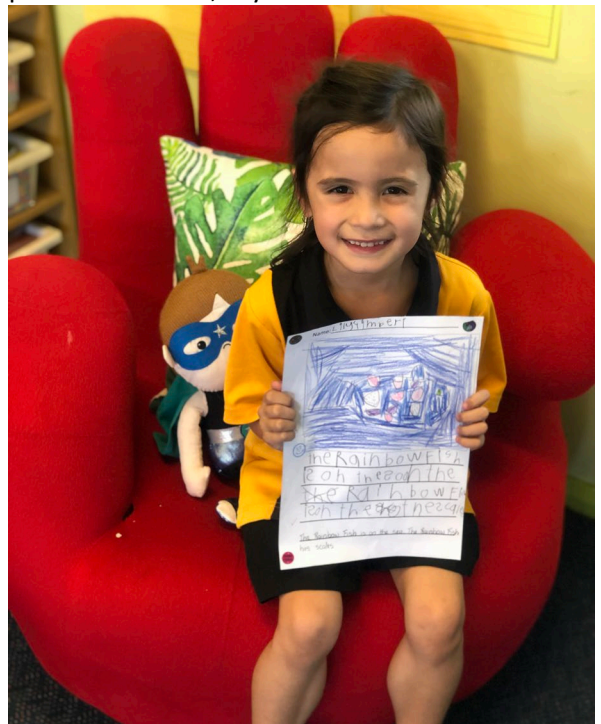
This is a challenging time that calls on ordinary people to do extraordinary things. Students and staff are exercising their strengths of bravery, perseverance and creativity as we adapt to the rapidity of change that is upon us.

Meanwhile, our students continue to amaze us. Congratulations to Lily G. who is our Worker Bee this week. It is delightful to watch all our Kinders gain confidence in reading and writing. They are thrilled with the independence this affords them and so are we!



K-2 WORKER BEE OF THE WEEK

Lily has settled into the K/1 Red Class and has been working hard to learn letter sounds. She is beginning to use known words and letter sounds to write sentences. Lily enjoys sharing her writing with her peers. Well done, Lily!



You did it! Congratulations

EXCELLENCE AWARDS

1/2 LIME Nate H. for continually striving to improve his writing stamina and spelling

MERIT AWARDS

K PURPLE Kierah C.
K/1 RED Chaise A.
1/2 LIME Dean O.
1/2 YELLOW Lucas R.
2 BLUE Rubi B.
3/4 BLACK Peyton S.
3/4 ORANGE Morgan A.
5/6 GREEN Sophie W.
5/6 MAGENTA Blyhe D.

PBL AWARDS

K PURPLE	Lincoln A.	Respect
K/1 RED	Louie B.	Personal Best
1/2 LIME	Maddison N.	Respect
1/2 YELLOW	Logan F.	Responsibility
2 BLUE	Holly T.	Responsibility
3/4 BLACK	Samuel M.	Respect
3/4 ORANGE	Lacie H	Responsibility
5/6 GREEN	Steven B.	Personal Best
5/6 MAGENTA	Charlea M	Personal Best

LIBRARY AWARD Ciennah S.

UPDATE ON SCHOOL-RELATED EVENTS

- NAPLAN 2020 – Cancelled
- Upper Hunter Eistedfodd – Cancelled
- P&C AGM – Postponed
- Hunter Dance Festival – Postponed?
- External Validation of School – Postponed

P & C NEWS

CANTEEN NEWS

Sadly, all school canteens are required to cease operation until further notice.

At this time, I would like to say thank you to those who volunteered their time. I especially thank our canteen coordinator, Amie Riley (voluntary) for her amazing efforts to establish and keep our canteen running for our students. We will advise via our P&C's Facebook page when the canteen will re-open and hope that you will continue to support it.

Thank you to everyone who supported the meal deal last Friday. We had 150 orders which was a huge day for us. Big thank you to Amie for coordinating the day. Thank you to Bec B, Tasi K, Ali W, Tara M & Rochelle for all your help on the day.

HARMONY DAY



K/1 Lime and K/1 Yellow say NO TO BULLYING and have made some fantastic crowns with positive messages of kindness.



What a salad (solid) effort...

Thanks to more than 373 primary schools across NSW, there was an amazing 88,611 students registered for Vegetable Week in 2020.

A whopping 30,524 students crunched on vegetables together at 10am on Thursday March 5th and a further 11,876 crunched at another time over Vegetable Week.

Despite these huge numbers, however, the record set in 2018 was not broken. So lettuce keep practicing and peas join us again in 2021!



FOUND

A girl's signet ring has been found in the playground. Contact the office if you have lost one.